

Where's Your Chair?

Mark 10 32-45



Our forebears trusted in you; they trusted, and you delivered them.
They cried out to you and were delivered; they put their trust in you and were not
confounded.
Psalm 22:4-5

Praising:

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you.
Pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant, too

Reading:

Mark 10:32-45
James and John seek honour

Is it any wonder the other
disciples lose patience with
James and John? They had left
everything to follow the Master
too. They are just as committed
to Jesus and his cause, and their
noses are understandably put out
of joint at the thought that two of
their team-mates would go
behind their backs to ask for
promotion. Heaven is less about
us and more about God. More
practically though, a relationship
with God is not about personal
favours. It's never about God

doing this or that for us and then
us owing him. This is especially
true in the area of prayer. None of
us ever deserves God's special
treatment, but in the teeth of the
worst life throws at us, Christians
in every age have discovered the
comfort of God's nearness and
the sufficiency of his grace.

Listening:

Praying:

Lord we think of those

- for whom life is about getting
to the top and being number
one rather than serving
- for whom leadership is about
position and superiority rather
than giving
- for whom relationships are
about personal gain and self-
esteem rather than caring

Father: as opportunities to take
responsibility come my way,
show me how to make the most
of them in Christ's spirit of
humility, modesty and sacrifice.
Amen

Doing: