Adult Study Guide for April 18, 2021 Series: *No More Bogus Jesus*. Message: *Service*

Goal: To find joy in serving others.

Key Verse: For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." – Mark 10:45 (NIV)

- 1. When you hear someone say, "I am the greatest!", what goes through your mind? What does it take to become someone who is truly great?
- 2. Review the story of James and John in Mark 10:35-41. What were they seeking? How did Jesus respond? How does Jesus redefine the concept of glory? Who should get the glory when we do good works? (Matthew 5:16)
- 3. What did Jesus say about how the world works in Mark 10:42-45? Give examples of how those who are in authority use their power and privileges for their own benefit. What is the alternative that Jesus wants us to follow? (Galatians 5:13-14)
- 4. Review the story in Mark 10:46-52. Why does Jesus ask the blind man, Bartimaeus, such an obvious question (v. 51)? What does this repetition of the question that Jesus asked in verse 36 teach the disciples? Why is it important to respond to the needs of those with less power and fewer resources? (James 2:14-17)
- 5. Read Luke 6:38 and Acts 20:35. Why are we more blessed when we give than we receive? Share examples from your own experience.
- 6. Read 1 Peter 4:10-11. How does believing that God will provide the gifts and the strength to use them effectively help us to serve others with confidence? What will you do in the coming weeks to serve Christ by serving others? (Matthew 25:37-40)