

## Matthew 25:21

*His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'*

Don't we all just love, and long to hear our Savior say those words to us "*Well done good and faithful servant*" But sometimes we read it differently than what it really says, sometimes we read it more like:

- ✓ Well done good and faithful pastor
- ✓ Well done good and faithful thither
- ✓ Well done good and faithful usher
- ✓ Well done good and faithful prayer warrior
- ✓ Well done good and faithful worshipper
- ✓ Well done good and faithful church attender
- ✓ Well done good and faithful daily bible reader

But I don't read it like that. I read it as a title of a "Servant" that the world has belittled, therefore we think that we would not want to be associated with being a lowly "servant".

The world thinks:

- ✓ Really, you want to be the lowest of the low. Nah, there are no commemorative plaques dedicating a building to a Servant.
- ✓ Wonderful stories and tall tales are never spoken of a lowly Servant. No you must be a hero and strong and brave to be anything in a good story.
- ✓ No woman ever grew up thinking that she would want to marry a Servant, no she wants a doctor or lawyer or a king or a prince.
- ✓ Even fairy tales always let you know that the Princess always gets a Prince, but never his Servant, he is too busy cleaning poop out of the horse stables

Ah, but Jesus tells us and taught us different, didn't He. And He did it by example by washing the Disciples feet, which was the lowest of lowly jobs that a Servant could ever do.

† **John 13:3-5** *Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God, rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded.*

Jesus said, *you were faithful over a few things*, but never said great job of getting that title or position in the church. The only way we can hear those words of love from our beloved Savior, Jesus, *“Well done, good and faithful servant”* is to become a Servant just like Jesus was, and stop trying to obtain any status.

† **John 13:15-17** *For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.*