

# PURSUING OUR CAPACITY

... to Count Others More Significant

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## Philippians 2:3-4 (ESV)

<sup>3</sup> Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. <sup>4</sup> Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

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- 2. Being at the beck and call of everybody.**
- 3. Refusing to stand up for what is right.**

# Prioritise God First

**To truly put others first, we first have to prioritise God.**

**John 15:1-10 – We must abide in Jesus.**

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# Do Not be People Possessed

## Matthew 10:14 (ESV)

<sup>14</sup> And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town.

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- Standing against what God is against.
- Proverbs 27:5-6

# Why we Should Count Others More Significant:

**1. Prioritising people allows opportunity to influence.**

- Matthew 28:18-20

**2. The Kingdom of God advances through people.**

- 2 Timothy 2:2

**3. We receive joy.**

**John 15:10-11 (ESV)** - <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup> These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

**4. To be continued...**



# How can we Count Others More Significant?

- 1. Serve in the Church.**
- 2. Get involved in Mission.**
- 3. Disciple others.**
- 4. Day-to-day situations.**

# Why we Should Count Others More Significant Continued...

## Jesus prioritised us!

### Philippians 2:5-8 (ESV)

<sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

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A person with a backpack stands on a mountain peak, looking out over a vast, hazy landscape of rolling hills and valleys.

**Biblical Wisdom**