

# The Big 4 – Make an impact

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Jesus defines how to make an impact.

**Luke 22:24-27** – <sup>24</sup> Then they began to argue among themselves about who would be the greatest among them. <sup>25</sup> Jesus told them, "In this world the kings and great men lord it over and take dominion over their people, yet they are called 'friends of the people.' <sup>26</sup> But among you it will be different. Those who are the greatest among you should take the lowest rank, and the leader should be like a servant. <sup>27</sup> Who is more important, the one who sits at the table or the one who serves? The one who sits at the table, of course. But not here! For I am among you as one who serves.

Until you serve beyond yourself and your own needs, you will never make an impact with your life.

**Mark 1:16-18 (NIV)** – <sup>16</sup> As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup> "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men." <sup>18</sup> At once they left their nets and followed him.

**Luke 22:31-34 (NLY/KJV)** – <sup>31</sup> "Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift each of you like wheat. <sup>32</sup> But I have pleaded in prayer for you, Simon, that your faith should not fail. So when you have repented and turned to me again, strengthen your brothers." <sup>33</sup> Peter said, "Lord, I am ready to go to prison with you, and even to die with you." <sup>34</sup> But Jesus said, "Peter, let me tell you something. Before the rooster crows tomorrow morning, you will deny three times that you even know me."

You will make an impact when you serve others!

**Mark 16:7 (NIV)** – <sup>7</sup> But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'"

**Acts 2:41 NIV)** – <sup>41</sup> Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

**Acts 4:4 (NIV)** – <sup>4</sup> But many who heard the message believed, and the number of men grew to about five thousand.

**Acts 4:13 (NIV)** – <sup>13</sup> When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.

Don't measure yourself by how you see you or by how others see you, but rather, by how God sees you. Most people look for reasons to disqualify themselves and feel that they aren't quite ready yet to help someone else or to make an impact. However, God uses people who are ordinary to do extraordinary things.

God has called you to multiply. Are you going to take your place, serve others, and make an impact?