

# Power (1)

Sunday March 17, 2013

Mark 10:32-45

## Intro

Power in Human Relationships  
Pattern in Mark

## Not So With You

### A Different Value about Power

Jesus lived it; Jesus taught it

## Serve from Love

Not Rejection of Power or Withdrawal from Engagement  
Love the Motivating Force; Serving the Expression of Love

## Cross

### Centre Story of Christian Faith

- True Story – Events, Something Happened
- Not a Theory or a Philosophy – News
- Not Abstract – a Person
- Not Rules – A Model

## Redefining

### Love

What is Love – Look at the Cross

### Power

Who Should be in Charge? Jesus Deserves it!  
The Power of Love; Example of True Christian Devotion

### God

Christian Message – God is Love

## What Does this Look Like?

Cannot be Reduced to Steps to Follow  
We Follow a Person;  
This Person Loves;  
He Teaches us to Love

# Prayers and Readings for Lent

The season of Lent has traditionally been used by Christians as a time of prayer, reflection and repentance in preparation for the celebration of Easter. I want to encourage you to carve out a little time for prayer, reading and reflection over the season of Lent this year. For each week I have included a traditional Lenten prayer, and readings from 4 different parts of the Bible. I will use some of these passages in the Sunday sermons as well.

There are many ways you could use these passages.

- Read all 4 passages in one sitting
- Read the passages in a different Bible translation each day
- Read one passage a day for 4 days in the week
- Read one of the passages together as a family
- Read one or more of the passages with a small group

I trust these times of prayer, reading and reflection will help us deepen our connection with God in this season.

## Fifth Week of Lent

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### Week 5

Mar 17 – 23

Psalm

Old Testament

Gospel

Epistle

Psalm 95

Deut 17:14-20

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1 Peter 4