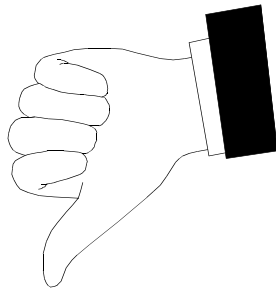


**Luke 9:45-55**

# Signs of Pride



- **Pretend to understand. (Lu 9:45)**  
(You don't really understand).
- **Believe it's not necessary to grasp a certain truth. Lu 9:44-45.**  
(You believe you already know enough).
- **Preoccupied with being the greatest. Lu 9:46**  
(You do things so you look and think yourself to be great).
- **Condemn other people who look great. Lu 9:49**  
(Threatened by other people - jealous of attention given to them).
- **Set your self and your group apart as the best and only. Lu 9:49**  
(You are elitist; gathering power and popularity around self).
- **Condemn those who reject you and your group. Lu 9:54-55**  
(Insensitive to Christ's mission; sensitive to people's response).

# Signs of True Greatness



- **Admit your ignorance. (Lu 9:45)**  
(You confess your poverty of understanding).
- **Acknowledge your great need to know all truths. Lu 9:44-45**  
(You study and meditate on God's Word).
- **Preoccupied with serving. Lu 9:46**  
(You naturally do things to help people).
- **Bless what good things are being done by others. Lu 9:49**  
(You are grateful for what others do and encourage those doing well).
- **Follow Jesus with everyone else. Lu 9:49**  
(You want people to follow Jesus so that they might be blessed).
- **Weep over those who reject Christ. Lu 9:54-55**  
(You care about those who reject Christ).

**“But Jesus ... said to them, “Whoever receives this child in My name receives Me; and whoever receives Me receives Him who sent Me; for he who is least among you, this is the one who is great.””(Luke 9:48).**

- 1• **Willing and desirous of dealing with those who can't bring benefit to you and your reputation.**
- 2• **Fixed and focused on doing the Father's will and mission.**
- 3• **The extent of our service determines greatness in the eyes of God.**

**Who do you associate with?**

**What are your goals in life?**

**Does your life reflect a busy servant?**