

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURES
October 21, 2018
The Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time
Isaiah 53:10-11 + Hebrews 4:14-16 + Mark 10:35-45



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In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us a good plan for leadership training: whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant. If the leaders of nations today would follow that directive, the world would be at peace, the hungry would be fed, and refugee camps would no longer be needed. Unfortunately, we know the reality.

I think, however, that admonition was intended not only for world leaders but also for anyone in a position of authority, be it ever so small and humble. Parents, teachers, police officers, priests and sisters, even pet owners, tend, at times, to lord it over those in their charge.

Jesus himself did not come to be served but to serve and give his life for us. Can we do less?