**FOCUS Bible Study - May 18**

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[**Laurie's Testimony @ 0:00**](https://fathom.video/share/U2SjaEExR_grtX3rmQriVu7Dmx--c8az?tab=summary&timestamp=0)

Laurie shares her personal testimony of being saved 9 years ago, when she was in a dark place of sin and despair. She explains how God has since blessed her and transformed her life, and how she now has a heart to share the gospel message that she believes every Christian needs to hear.

[**The Heart of a Servant @ 3:28**](https://fathom.video/share/U2SjaEExR_grtX3rmQriVu7Dmx--c8az?tab=summary&timestamp=208)

Laurie establishes the key scriptural foundation that the greatest among us shall be our servant (Matthew 23:11). She explains how the 24 elders in Revelation 4 cast their crowns before God's throne, and how Jesus wore a crown of thorns, demonstrating a heart of servanthood rather than seeking power and glory.

[**Disciples as Servants @ 10:35**](https://fathom.video/share/U2SjaEExR_grtX3rmQriVu7Dmx--c8az?tab=summary&timestamp=635)

Laurie delves deeper into Jesus' teachings, highlighting how the disciple is not above the master, and how we are called to serve rather than be served (Matthew 10:24-33, John 13:15-16). She emphasizes that true honor and authority come through humble servanthood.

[**Serving One Another in the Body @ 31:20**](https://fathom.video/share/U2SjaEExR_grtX3rmQriVu7Dmx--c8az?tab=summary&timestamp=1880)

The group discusses the importance of avoiding competition and division within the body of Christ, and instead embracing a spirit of unity and mutual service (Luke 22:24-30). Laurie cautions against the tendency to judge or look down on others, and challenges the group to examine their own hearts for areas where they are failing to serve.

[**Servants Ruling and Reigning @ 49:15**](https://fathom.video/share/U2SjaEExR_grtX3rmQriVu7Dmx--c8az?tab=summary&timestamp=2955)

Laurie unpacks the profound revelation that those who humbly serve will be exalted to rule and reign with Christ (Matthew 25:31-46, Daniel 12:1-3, Revelation 7). She explains how the seemingly small number of 144,000 actually represents the spiritual tribes of Israel - those who will govern as servants in God's kingdom.

[**Closing Exhortation @ 1:44:52**](https://fathom.video/share/U2SjaEExR_grtX3rmQriVu7Dmx--c8az?tab=summary&timestamp=104)

Laurie concludes by challenging the group to examine their own hearts and identify areas where they can grow in servanthood. She prays for the group, asking God to help them discern and overcome any pride or selfishness, and to empower them to lead with a true servant's heart.