



# groups | DISCUSSION GUIDE

Chasing Carrots... Fame

WARM UP

**Who is the most famous person you've ever met?**

SET IT UP

We all want to make a difference; we all want our lives to count for something. But that desire to make a difference can shift into nothing more than a naked desire for attention. The spotlight can be addictive and we can begin to find our identity in notoriety. As followers of Christ – we are called to strive for faithfulness, not fame. Jesus said that the greatest in his kingdom will be the one who is servant of all.

CHAT IT UP

- 1. In your own words, define fame.**
- 2. How has today's digital culture transformed or enhanced your longing for fame?**
- 3. Read John 13:1-17. Point out the countercultural, even awkward things Jesus does in this passage.**
- 4. According to this passage, how would Jesus define fame and success?**
- 5. Do you most often seek success in your kingdom or God's Kingdom? What is the biggest difference between those two kingdoms?**
- 6. Serving others is the greatest kryptonite to the craving for fame. In what way are you serving others?**
- 7. A challenge was given to think of say the phrase "Here's my chance" whenever an opportunity comes up to serve someone else and combat our craving for fame. Give three practical ways you can say "Here's my chance" this week.**

WRAP IT UP

We're not called to be famous, we're called to be faithful. When we seek to enhance our kingdom, we wind up feeling empty- whether we get there or not. When we seek to make God's kingdom great through serving others, we not only make His name great, but will fill that void inside us as well. God never measured success by climbing a ladder, but by carrying a cross. Ask God for the clarity to know how to put down a ladder and pick up your cross this week.