

## **Signs of the Kingdom: A Different Pursuit**

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1. Can you think of a place you've visited that was extremely different from your normal environment? How did you react to the differences?
2. How would your life be different if you were completely, 100% devoted to Christ? Why does the idea of that kind of commitment make us a little uneasy at times?
3. Read Matthew 6:25-33. Do you spend more time pursuing self-preservation or God's kingdom? What does this have to do with your level of trust in God?
4. How do your schedule, effort, checkbook, and sources of stress reflect your faith in God's ability to provide for you and your family?
5. Read Luke 12:16-21. Are you spending more time pursuing the American Dream or the kingdom of heaven?
6. What things are the most difficult for you to trust God to provide for you and your family?
7. How have you experienced the positive impact of serving others on your trust in God?
8. Read Colossians 1:9-10. Have you experienced knowledge of the Gospel and been changed by this? How has this equipped you to serve others?
9. Read Matthew 20:26-28. What does it look like when we are acting in a way that is consistent with our identity as believers?
10. How have you seen others' lives changed by your service for the kingdom? How have you seen your own life changed as you served?
11. Do you need to commit to serve God in a new way today? Where could you begin to serve right now?