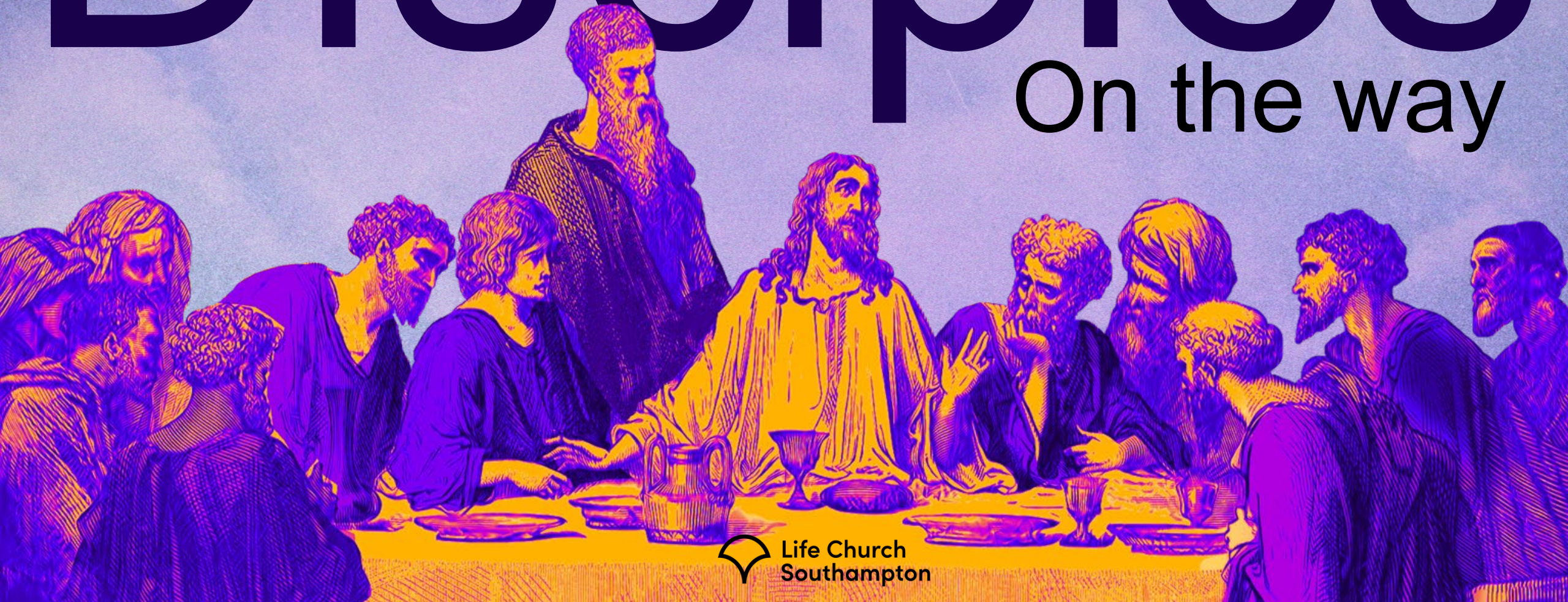
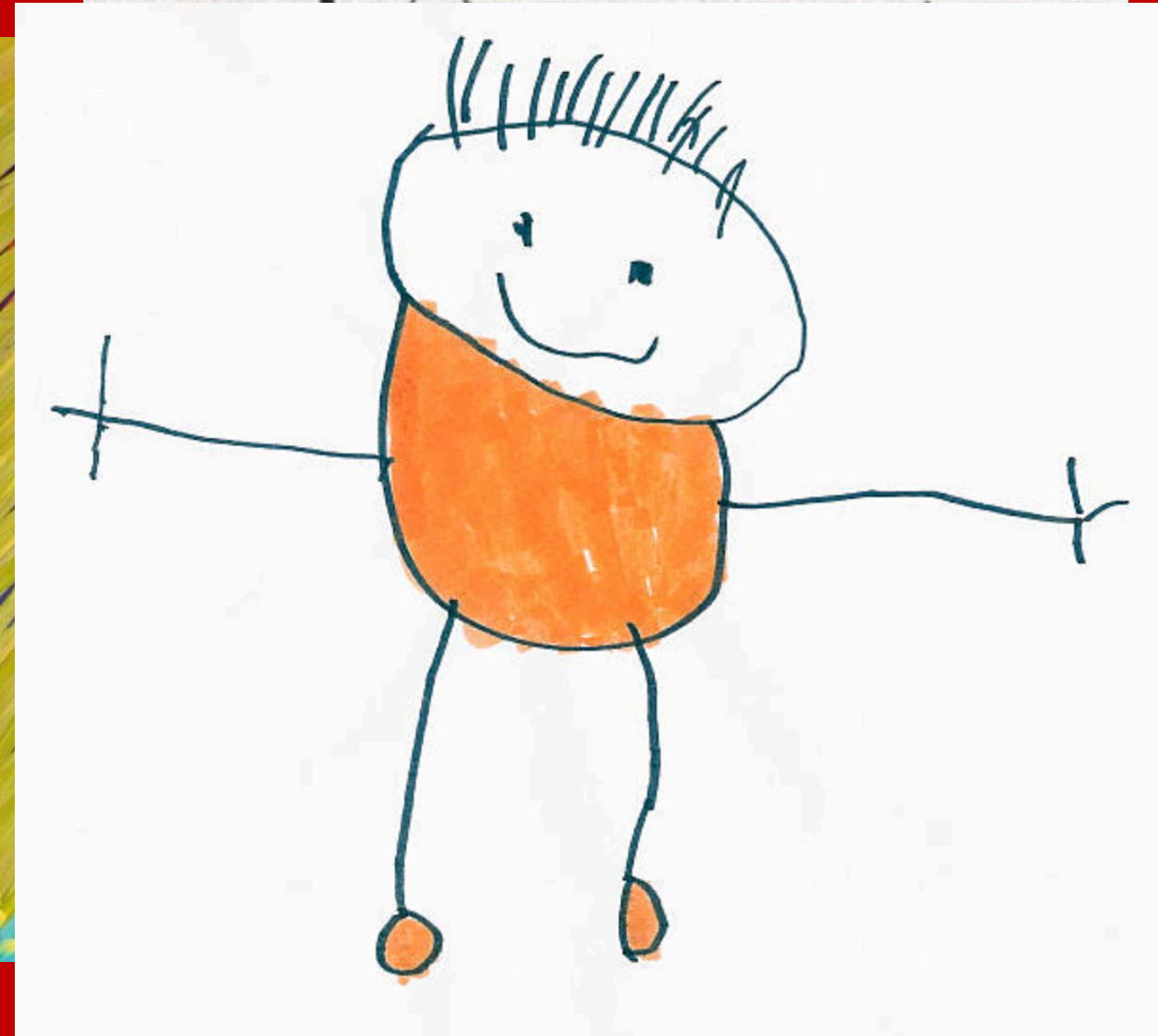


Disciples

On the way



Trying our best



Mark 9:35 – 10:31

“I’m the greatest.” “No, I’m the greatest.” “Look at what I’ve done” ...

“Actually, whoever is least is the greatest. Look at this child..”

“Lord, we were trying to stop someone taking advantage of your name..”

“What he’s doing is a great idea.”

“Let’s make sure Jesus isn’t bothered by these parents and their kids. He needs space.”

“Let the children come to me.”

Look at this successful, young, blessed man. Surely Jesus would approve”

“How difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God!” And they were exceedingly astonished.

Approaching Jesus

Discipleship on the way

The way of grace

Mark 10: 35-52

³⁵ Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. “Teacher,” they said, “we want you to do for us whatever we ask.”

³⁶ “What do you want me to do for you?” he asked.

³⁷ They replied, “Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory.”

³⁸ “You don’t know what you are asking,” Jesus said. “Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?”

³⁹ “We can,” they answered.

Jesus said to them, “You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared.”

⁴¹ When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. ⁴² Jesus called them together and said, “You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all.

⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

⁴⁶ Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus, was sitting by the roadside begging.

⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

⁴⁸ Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!”

⁴⁹ Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.”

So they called to the blind man, “Cheer up! On your feet! He’s calling you.” ⁵⁰ Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

⁵¹ “What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked him.

The blind man said, “Rabbi, I want to see.”

⁵² “Go,” said Jesus, “your faith has healed you.”

Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

Approaching Jesus

Discipleship on the way

The way of grace

Approaching Jesus

“What do you want me to do for you?”

Who has ever asked their boss for more money?

Approaching your boss	Approaching Jesus
Inner circle	Anyone
Behind closed doors	Anywhere
When they are available	Anytime
Put your best foot forward.	Your value isn't brought by you

Discipleship on the way

“And they came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho...”

Mark leaves out important details.

Mark loves a sudden interruption.

Jesus teaching in the synagogue

Paralytic drops through the roof

The woman and Jairus' daughter

Conflict with the pharisees

Jesus feeding the 5000

The Syrophenician woman

The little children

Jesus has an overarching purpose.

But 90% of the things he does **on the way** are unplanned.

The Way of Grace

all the time

The Lord is at work ~~during your bible time~~

Watch the Lord

What makes Bartimaeus, and James, and John, disciples?

What makes you a disciple?

Recipients of grace, on the way

Implications, not applications