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THE LAW OF DECREASE BRINGS INCREASE

Many of Jesus' parables were difficult to understand. He taught about turning the other cheek when someone wrongs us. He said the greatest in the kingdom would have to become a servant. He hung out with those that society looked down upon. He didn't fit the "mold" for Messiah. Most were expecting him to destroy the rule of the harsh Roman government, but he came as a servant and a suffering Messiah. His decrease would bring us increase.

John the Baptist speaks of decrease in John 3:30 where he said, ***"He must increase, but I must decrease."*** John knew when he prepared the way for the coming of the Messiah that he would have to step back. Some of his disciples, didn't understand this. John knew that God had given Jesus unlimited measure and told his disciples in John 3:36, ***"He that believeth on the son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."***

The principle of deceasing to increase makes us the one that is dependent on Jesus. It becomes about "him" instead of about "us." It doesn't make us less of a person, it makes us know where our dependence comes from. He becomes our "life". We look to him for our needs, and He is the one that brings the increase.

Like the story of the one that sowed seed, increase comes when it is sowed into good ground. Good ground comes when it is totally surrendered to God. Then the increase is 30, 60 and a 100-fold increase. We give to receive. We don't receive to give. Then because we have given to receive, we are given back from God so we can give again.

We decrease so He increases. But because He increases in our lives, we increase also.