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Suppose your mother came to you and said, "I need your help. A special guest is coming in one hour and I need you to clean the basement." Since you love your mother, you begin cleaning right away. Five minutes later, a friend comes to the door and says, "I need your help. Some kids are building a fort at my house. Come join us." What will you do? You can't do both. Will you serve your mother or will you stop to go serve your friend?

In this situation you should serve your mom. Why? Because she's your mother. Your mother loves you most of all. She takes care of you. You belong to her. Children ought to obey their parents. You should choose to serve your mother instead of helping your friend.

The Bible says your life is a lot like this little story. You will either live to serve and please yourself or you will live to serve and please God. You will either try to be master of your own life, doing what you want to do, or you will live with God as your master. You can't do both. You can only serve one master.

Why should you serve God as your master? Because he is God! God created you and loves you most of all. God watches over and cares for you. You belong to him. God sent his son, Jesus, to die for your sins. If you've trusted in Jesus, God has purchased your life through Jesus' sacrifice. You belong to him. God knows what's best for you. He's the kind of master you would want to serve. It's a privilege to live with God as your King.

- ☆ Who is the master of your life? Who are you trying to please?
- ☆ What does it look like to live with God as your master?
- ☆ Pray and ask God to help you live with him as your master and King.