

I AM SECOND

Philippians 2:5-11 (Pew Bible Page 831)

BEING SECOND IS COUNTER INTUITIVE

"If you are not first, you are last" Ricky Bobby

"Being second is to be the first loser"

Luke 9:46-48

"An argument started among the disciples as to which of them would be the greatest."

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"For whoever exalts himself will be humbled and whoever humbles himself will be exalted." Matthew 23:11

BEING SECOND CHALLENGES OUR EGO

"Now that my wife is Secretary of State, I'm afraid of being second fiddle to whatever world leader she just met." Former President Clinton

"He is the one who comes after me, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie" John 1:26-27

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John 13:1-17 Jesus washing his disciples' feet

BEING SECOND REQUIRES EMOTIONAL MATURITY

Emotional maturity is the ability to step outside of oneself, to be aware of ones own emotional state...it is that gap between stimulus and response.

1 Samuel 18:6-11

“Saul was very angry...and from that time on kept a jealous eye on David”

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“Jonathan said to David, ‘Whatever you want me to do, I’ll do for you.’”
1 Samuel 20:4

BEING SECOND IS CONFORMING TO CHRIST

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I am Second...Jason Castro, American Idol

Becoming Second:

1. **PUT CHRIST FIRST**
2. **FOLLOW HIS EXAMPLE**
3. **PRACTICE SERVING OTHERS**