

SHORELINE CITY

GREATER - Pastor Earl McClellan - Shoreline City Church 2017

John 1:50 | John 3:30 | John 14:12

Think GREATER. Speak GREATER. Pray GREATER. Lead GREATER. GREATER is not a number, it's a mindset. It's a language. It's a culture. It's a posture. GREATER is a way to approach a situation. If there are 9 ways to skin a cat, GREATER is one of the ways. GREATER. GREATER. GREATER. GREATER. GREATER.

When you look at a marriage...GREATER

When you look at a child...GREATER

When you look at the city...GREATER

When you look at hunger...GREATER

When you look at fear crippling lives...GREATER

GREATER looks like David **running** at Goliath. GREATER looks like Jesus speaking to a dead man in a tomb. GREATER looks like Paul and Silas singing in prison. GREATER looks like Jesus returning on a white horse with a robe dipped in blood and a tattoo on his thigh. GREATER looks like Peter and John before the religious leaders declaring 'we must obey God rather than man'. GREATER looks like John the Baptist having courage to lay down his popularity and send his followers on to Jesus. GREATER looks like Peter's willingness to go to the house of a Gentile, preach the Gospel and see the Holy Spirit fall on them just like He did on the Jews. GREATER looks like being whipped, shipped wrecked, beaten, misunderstood, ridiculed, mocked, hurt, overlooked and living for Jesus anyway! GREATER walks with humility and leads like a champion.

GREATER is a way you approach life. GREATER is a way you approach disappointment. GREATER is a way you approach pain. GREATER doesn't keep pain away; GREATER gets you through the pain, around the pain, and over the pain. GREATER is the fight you have when faced with the pain. GREATER is the prayer you pray when the pain is overwhelming. GREATER is the posture of your heart and the words of your mouth.

GREATER is a focus on Him and not on “it” (whatever “it” is). GREATER is fire. GREATER is a passion. GREATER is a zeal. GREATER is a line in the sand. GREATER is the way you approach the gates of hell. GREATER is the way you pray for your kids when they are born, if they wander and when they are grown. GREATER is a focus on the richness of our inheritance in Christ rather than the lack of our desperate human condition.

GREATER says YES when reality says NO. GREATER says stand when the situation says sit. GREATER says GO when comfort says stay. GREATER obeys even when its hard. GREATER walks forward with hurting feet, tired knees and a fatigued soul. GREATER pursues even when exhausted. GREATER does not come from human toil or falsely manufactured effort. GREATER comes from the unending supply of all Jesus is and all Jesus is doing!!!

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GREATER is not ‘I’m better than you’. GREATER is ‘He’s bigger than you’. And He’s bigger than it. GREATER is a prophetic edge. GREATER is a holy confidence. GREATER is ignited and sustained by the Holy Spirit. GREATER is where we are being called. GREATER requires a new level of surrender, a new level of dependance. GREATER requires thicker skin and more unity. GREATER takes you further up the mountain where the air is thinner and listening to the Guide is essential. GREATER is where we are being called. And since He is in GREATER, that’s where we are going.

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