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# THE UNIVERSITY OF GREATNESS

*Luke 22:24-38*

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**Introduction:** Universities are constantly being compared to each other and then ranked for prestige and quality. Even the ranking organizations that rate universities compete against their peers for accuracy and status. Of course, MIT and Oxford generally rank among the top five universities in the world. And the ivies consistently rank among the top ten. To be among the top 100 universities in the country is quite an accomplishment. To attain top ranking requires, among other things, strong majors with engaging professors. But what if there were a university that taught the objective *enduring* principles of true greatness? That would be quite a course of study! This major would focus on greatness, not just in the eyes of the world, but greatness in God's eternal plan. Fortunately, Jesus taught that course! In his last conversation with his disciples, just before his death, he taught principles of true greatness that have endured for the past 2,000 years. This morning, I want to present Jesus' curriculum for greatness and show why his teaching on this topic never ends. We start with the university catalogue which tells us...

1. **Why we need this university**

*Luke 22:24*

2. **The simple curriculum**

*Luke 22:25-38a*

3. **Why this school never ends**

*Luke 22:38b*

4. *Idea*

5. *Takeaways*