

BE THE CHURCH | BE SERVANTS
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ONE OF THE GREATEST CALLINGS I WILL EVER
RECEIVE IS TO BE JESUS' CHURCH

BE INTENTIONAL
BE HOSPITABLE
BE FORGIVEN
BE SERVANTS

A CHRIST-CENTERED CHURCH IS A SERVANT-FILLED CHURCH

John 13:1-5 (ESV) *Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ² During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, ³ Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, ⁴ rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. ⁵ Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him.*

SERVING MAKES US MORE GOD-CONSCIOUS
AND LESS SELF-CONSCIOUS

John 13:6-8 (ESV) *⁶ He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" ⁷ Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." ⁸ Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet."*

John 13:12-17 (ESV) *¹² When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you?" ¹³ You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. ¹⁴ If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. ¹⁶ Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷ If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.*

JESUS HAS CALLED US TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER
REGARDLESS OF THE HONOR

Matthew 20:25-28 (ESV) *²⁵ You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ²⁶ It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ²⁷ and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, ²⁸ even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."*

Philippians 2:5-8 (ESV) *⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.*

WHEN WE SERVE LIKE JESUS, WE HELP ONE
ANOTHER SEE AND EXPERIENCE GOD!

SERVING ONE ANOTHER BRINGS
GOD'S BLESSINGS INTO OUR HOMES

Matthew 7:24-27 (ESV) *²⁴ "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it."*

THE PATH OF THE SERVANT LIFE

- BE THE BLESSING
- SERVING IN SECRET PREPARES US TO SERVE IN PUBLIC
- SERVING IN SMALL WAYS OPENS THE DOORS FOR GOD TO USE US IN BIG WAYS
- DO FOR ONE WHAT YOU WISH YOU COULD DO FOR MANY