

ALL IN: THE POWER OF A FULLY COMMITTED LIFE

Part 2: All In With My Calling to Serve

BIG IDEA: WE ARE ALL SHAPED TO SERVE GOD!

Ephesians 2:10

"We are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do!"

S - SPIRITUAL GIFTS

H - HEART

A - ABILITIES

P - PERSONALITIES

E - EXPERIENCES

BIG TRUTH : My life calling is to be a bi-vocational minister of Jesus.

Colossians 3:17

"Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

Galatians 1:15 (TEV)

"God in his grace chose me even before I was born, and called me to serve him."

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF I USE MY LIFE TO SERVE & BLESS OTHERS?

4 Benefits of Serving

1. *Serving others unselfishly will create joy in my life.*

Two secrets of joy

A. *Get the focus off myself.*

Philippians 2:17 (GW)

"My life is being poured out as a part of the sacrifice and service I offer to God for your faith. Yet, I am FILLED WITH JOY, and I share that joy with all of you."

Philippians 4:4-5 (LB)

"Always be full of joy in the Lord; I say it again, rejoice! Let everyone see that you are unselfish and considerate in all you do."

B. *When I use my gifts, I help others!*

1 Peter 4:10 (LB)

"God has given each of you some special abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessings."

2. *It will improve my relationships.*

Proverbs 13:10

"Only by pride cometh contention."

Matt. 20:28 (LB)

"Your attitude must be like my own, for I did not come to be served but to serve..."

Rom. 14:18 (CEV)

"If you serve Christ in this way, you will please God and be respected by people."

Proverbs 11:25

"The one who blesses others is abundantly blessed; those who help others are helped."

Proverbs 11:17

"You do yourself a favor when you're kind."

3. Serving others unselfishly will make my life meaningful.

Mark 8:35

"If you try to keep your life for yourself, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake and for the sake of the Good News, you will find true life."

1 Corinthians 15:58 (NCV)

"Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your work in the Lord is never wasted."

4. Your serving will leave a legacy.

Proverbs 10:7 (NCV)

"Good people will be remembered as a blessing."

Matthew 20:26 (CEV)

"If you want to be great, you must be the servant of all the others."

Hebrews 6:10 (NCV)

"God is fair; he will not forget the work you did and the love you showed for him by helping his people. And he will remember that you are still helping them."

John 12:26 (NCV)

"My Father will honor anyone who serves me."