

Series: Serving Like Jesus

**“The Perils of a Servant”**

Hebrews 6:10

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**Introduction**

- A. Have you ever served, but then were left with a bad \_\_\_\_\_ in your \_\_\_\_\_?
  - 1. Have you ever served, and then felt \_\_\_\_\_?
  - 2. Have you ever served, and then became \_\_\_\_\_ of your area of service?
  - 3. Have you ever served, and then after a while the subtle concern changed from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_?
- B. Almost every calling and occupation carries with it particular \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. We must take to heart Paul’s \_\_\_\_\_ in 1 Corinthians 10:12.

**I. The Story (2 Kings 4 and 5)**

- A. The great prophet \_\_\_\_\_ had a servant named Gehazi.
- B. Gehazi had the idea to provide a \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Gehazi ran to put Elisha’s \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ boy’s \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. Gehazi had to call the woman to get her \_\_\_\_\_ son.
- E. Gehazi had to tell \_\_\_\_\_ to dip seven times in the \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. After Elisha refused to accept a gift from Naaman, Gehazi went after Naaman, made up a \_\_\_\_\_ and took a \_\_\_\_\_ from Naaman.
- G. Gehazi experienced a horrible \_\_\_\_\_ - he was covered with \_\_\_\_\_.

**II. The Application**

- A. The Perils
  - 1. The peril of being overprotective and \_\_\_\_\_ of the one he served.
  - 2. The peril of feeling \_\_\_\_\_ and unappreciated.
  - 3. The peril of experiencing hostile, undeserved disrespect and resentment.
  - 4. The peril of hidden \_\_\_\_\_ that prompted him to take what rewards he wanted.
- B. The Lessons
  - 1. We must remember that no servant is completely \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2. We must remember that most deeds will be initially \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 3. We must remember that our \_\_\_\_\_ for serving must be honestly searched.
- C. “So I Send You” by E. Margaret Clarkson:

So send I you to labor unrewarded.  
To serve unpaid, unloved, unsought, unknown,  
To bear rebuke, to suffer scorn and scoffing,  
So send I you to toil for Me alone...

So send I you to leave your life’s ambition,  
To die to dear desire, self-will resign,  
To labor long and love where men revile you,  
So send I you to lose your life in Mine.

“As the Father hath send me, So send I you.”

Answer Key: Intro.A. taste, mouth. A.1. unappreciated. A.2. possessive. A.3. giving, taking. B. hazards. C. warning. I.A. Elisha. I.B. child, woman. I.C. staff, dead, head. I.D. healed. I.E. Naaman, Jordan. I.F. story, reward. I.G. punishment, leprosy. II.A.1. possessive. II.A.2. used. II.A.4. greed. II.B.1 safe. II.B.2. unrewarded. II.B.3. motives.