



One Another - Part 5 - Selfless
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Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, **it is not self-seeking**, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.
- 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

WHAT DOES SELF-SEEKING LEAD TO IN RELATIONSHIPS?

What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? ² You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. ³ When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.
- James 4:1-3

- **Self-seeking in relationships always leads to CONFLICT.**

For wherever there is jealousy and selfish ambition, there you will find disorder and evil of every kind. - James 3:16

The greatest among you will be your servant. - Matthew 23:11

HOW DO WE CHOOSE SELFLESS OVER SELF-SEEKING?

1) BE A DORCAS.

In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor.
- Acts 9:36

2) TAKE A BASKET.

One day Jesse said to David, "Take this basket of roasted grain and these ten loaves of bread, and carry them quickly to your brothers. ¹⁸ ... See how your brothers are getting along, and bring back a report on how they are doing." - 1 Samuel 17:17-18

3) CARRY A TOWEL.

So he got up from the table, took off his robe, wrapped a towel around his waist, ⁵ and poured water into a basin. Then he began to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel he had around him. - John 13:4-5

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus. - Philippians 2:5