

Born To Serve

Part 2

Last week's summary:

- Serving is a family characteristic.**
- The Father has good works of service planned in advance for each one of His children.**
- God's highest honors and greatest authority is reserved exclusively for those who obey His call to serve.**

**Talent will not make you great
Power will not make you great
Money will not make you great
Popularity will not make you great
Work will not make you great
You may have all these and miss greatness
No Service-No Greatness**

1. The Mind of a Servant:

“After they arrived at Capernaum and settled in a house, Jesus asked his disciples, “What were you discussing out on the road?” But they didn’t answer, because they had been arguing about which of them was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve disciples over to him, and said, “Whoever wants to be first must take last place and be the servant of everyone else.””

Mark 9:33-35 NLT

You have to out of your mind, naturally speaking, and be in a Spirit-led mindset, before you can put the needs of children in children’s church ahead of your desire to sit peacefully in the service with no responsibility.

Parking

Greeting

Ushering

Hospitality

Security

Sound and lights

Production department

Media team

Praise Team

“.....Don’t live with a lofty mind-set, thinking you are too important to serve others, but be willing to do menial tasks and identify with those who are humble minded.....”

Romans 12:16 TPT

2. The Heart of a Servant:

“The disciples bickered over which one of them would be considered the greatest in the kingdom. Jesus interrupted their argument, saying, “The kings and men of authority in this world rule oppressively over their subjects, claiming that they do it for the good of the people. They are obsessed with how others see them. But this is not your calling. You will lead by a different model. The greatest one among you will live as one called to serve others without honor. The greatest honor and authority is reserved for the one

who has a servant heart. The leaders who are served are the most important in your eyes, but in the kingdom, it is the servants who lead. Am I not here with you as one who serves?”

Luke 22:24-27 TPT

“So resist the temptation to pronounce premature judgment on anything before the appointed time when all will be fully revealed. Instead, wait until the Lord makes his appearance, for he will bring all that is hidden in darkness to light and unveil every secret motive of everyone’s heart. Then, when the whole truth is known, each will receive praise from God.”

1 Corinthians 4:5 TPT

“Our love for others is our grateful response to the love God first demonstrated to us.”

1 John 4:19 TPT

***If People Are Your Motivation For Serving
They Will Be Your Motivation To Quit Serving***

3. The Actions of a Servant:

“Now Jesus was fully aware that the Father had placed all things under His control, for He had come from God and was about to go back to be with Him. So He got up from the meal and took off His outer robe, and took a towel and wrapped it around His waist. Then He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples’ dirty feet and dry them with His towel. But when Jesus got to Simon Peter, he objected and said, “I can’t let You wash my dirty feet—you’re my Lord!” Jesus replied, “You don’t understand yet the meaning of what I’m doing, but soon it will be clear to you.” Peter looked at Jesus and said, “You’ll never wash my dirty feet—never!” “But Peter, if you don’t allow Me to wash your feet,” Jesus responded, “then you will not be able to share life with Me.” So Peter said, “Lord, in that case, don’t just wash my feet, wash my hands and my head too!” Jesus said to him, “You are already clean.

You've been washed completely and you just need your feet to be cleansed—but that can't be said of all of you.” For Jesus knew which one was about to betray Him, and that's why He told them that not all of them were clean. After washing their feet, He put His robe on and returned to His place at the table. “Do you understand what I just did?” Jesus said. “You've called Me your teacher and Lord, and you're right, for that's who I am. So if I'm your teacher and Lord and have just washed your dirty feet, then you should follow the example that I've set for you and wash one another's dirty feet. Now do for each other what I have just done for you. I speak to you timeless truth: a servant is not superior to his master, and an apostle is never greater than the one who sent him. So now put into practice what I have done for you, and you will experience a life of happiness enriched with untold blessings!””

John 13:3-17 TPT

Not About Peter's Need For Clean Feet

It Was Jesus' Need To Do What He Was Born To Do-Serve.

RIGHT MIND-The Way Up Is Down

**RIGHT HEART-Motivated By God's Love,
Not People Attitudes.**

RIGHT ACTION-Just Grab a Towel and Go To Work on the Feet In Front of You.