

**Living Life on Purpose
Shaped for Serving God
Discover Church
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“For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.” Ephesians 2:10

“Your hands shaped me and made me.” Job 10:8

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others” 1 Peter 4:10

My Fourth Purpose is to **Serve God by Serving Others = Ministry**

“Your attitude must be like my own, for I, the Messiah, did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give my life as a ransom for many.” Matthew 20:28

LEARNING TO SERVE LIKE JESUS

1. Serving like Jesus means being **available**

“Two blind men were sitting by the roadside, and when they heard that Jesus was going by, they shouted, “Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!” The crowd rebuked them and told them to be quiet, but they shouted all the louder, “Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!” Jesus stopped and called them. “What do you want me to do for you?” he asked.” Matthew 20:30-32

“Never tell your neighbors to wait until tomorrow if you can help them now.” Proverbs 3:28

➤ Obstacle #1 = **Self-centeredness**

“Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand.” Philippians 2:4

➤ Obstacle #2 = **Perfectionism**

“If you wait for perfect conditions, you’ll never get anything done.” Ecclesiastes 11:4

➤ Obstacle #3 = **Materialism**

“No servant can serve two masters... You cannot serve both God and money.” Luke 16:13

2. Serving like Jesus means being **Grateful**

“Jesus looked up and said, ‘Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here...’” John 11:41-42

“Serve the Lord with gladness.” Psalm 100:2

“It is He who saved us and chose us for His holy work not because we deserved it but because that was His plan.” 2 Timothy 1:9

➤ Obstacle #1 = **Comparing and Criticizing**

“Who are you to criticize someone else's servant? The Lord will determine whether His servant has been successful.” Romans 14:4

➤ Obstacle #2 = **Wrong Motivations**

“When you do good deeds, don't try to show off. If you do, you won't get a reward from your Father in heaven.” Matthew 6:1

3. Serving Like Jesus Means Being **Faithful**

“I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do.” John 17:4

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful.” 2 Timothy 4:7

“The one thing required of such servants is that they be faithful to their master.” 1 Corinthians 4:2

“Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!” Matthew 25:21

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➤ Obstacle #1 = _____

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5. Serving like Jesus means being _____

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➤ Obstacle #2 = _____

6. Serving Like Jesus Means Being _____

Scripture: *Ephesians 2:10; Job 10:8; 1 Peter 4:10; Matthew 20:28; Matthew 20:30-32; Proverbs 3:28; Philippians 2:4; Ecclesiastes 11:4; Luke 16:13; John 11:41-42; Psalm 100:2; 2 Timothy 1:9; Romans 14:4; Matthew 6:1; John 17:4; 2 Timothy 4:7; 1 Corinthians 4:2; Matthew 25:21*