

**The Church That Serves
Find Your Place to Serve
Discover Church
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Discover God, Discover Purpose, Discover Community.

Find Your Place to Serve

- Develop a **humility mindset** to serving

*“The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples’ feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.”
John 13:2-5*

How To Find My Place

1. **Explore** your natural **abilities** and **interests**

“But each of you has your own gift from God; one has this gift, another has that.” 1 Corinthians 7:7

2. **Consider** how you are being **equipped** with Spiritual Gifts

“There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.” 1 Corinthians 12:6-11

“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? Now eagerly desire the greater gifts.” 1 Corinthians 12:27-31

3. Let your **passion** inspire you to service

What breaks your heart?

“Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air. No, I strike a blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.” 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

- **What breaks your heart?**
- **What makes you cry?**
- **What makes you laugh?**

4. **Explore** your heart's **calling**

“If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.” 1 Corinthians 13:1-3

Discover Your Purpose

- Talk to **trusted people**

“So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up.” Ephesians 4:11-12

- Try new **things**
- Start by filling a **need**

“Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.” John 13:17

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Scripture: *John 13:2-5; 1 Corinthians 7:7; 1 Corinthians 12:6-11; 1 Corinthians 12:27-31; 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; 1 Corinthians 13:1-3; Ephesians 4:11-12; John 13:17*