

FAITHFUL TO THE MISSION COMMITTED TO THE VISION

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Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.
(Galatians 6:9, NIV)

Ministry could never happen without the faithful service of so many people.

Ephesians 4:11-12

It is the people of the body who make ministry happen.

By Serving, You Fulfill God's Purpose for Your Life

You were made with a specific purpose and with a plan for you.

Ephesians 2:10

God's design for you began before you were born.

Psalms 139:13-14

God has an eternal purpose and plan for your life.

Do you have a sense of God's purpose for your life?

By Serving, You Reflect God's Glory

As we serve others, they get a picture of our heavenly Father.

1 Peter 2:12

Our actions reflect the belief of our heart.

Jesus gave us an example of servanthood for us to follow His model.

John 13:1-17

Jesus has called us to serve so we may be an example to others.

By Serving, We Contribute to Eternity

God takes the service we do and uses it to influence the course of eternity in others' lives.

The service that really matters will last for eternity.

Serving is more than the opportunity of a lifetime but an opportunity beyond our lifetime."

By Serving, We Follow the Pattern of The Bible

Isaiah 6:1-8

A volunteer is someone who freely, without any legal obligation, chooses to act.

Mark 10:45

Christ came to serve and He expects us also to serve not out of compulsion but freely.

Isaiah volunteered out of appreciation for what God had done for him.

In Isaiah 6:5 he says he is ruined, aware that in comparison to the holiness of God he was polluted and unfit to be in the presence of God. Isaiah's confession was met by God's mercy.

Psalms 85:10

Grateful for God's cleansing Isaiah stood ready to serve.

Psalms 66:16

Isaiah volunteered out of a realization of the need that others had.

Proverbs 29:18

John 4:35

Isaiah didn't just see the need but was willing to volunteer to go with the message of God.

Isaiah volunteered out of a recognition of God's will.

God did not call Isaiah by name. The call of God is not for the special few, it is for everyone.

Psalms 40:8

Isaiah did not discuss this call with the Lord, he simply volunteered and obeyed.

People wrestle with God for one of two reasons; either they don't know God's will and are trying to find it or they know God's will and are trying to decide whether or not to do it.

Jonah 1:2-3

How many of us is God preparing a fish for?

Ephesians 6:6

Isaiah volunteered out of an appreciation for what God had done for Him, a realization of the need that others had, and a recognition of God's will. How grateful are you for the things that God has done for you? Do you see the need around you? Do you see the needs both in the church and in your world? Do you recognize and understand God's will? Are you willing to stand up and say, "Here am I. Send me!"