

Servant Leadership

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I. Being “Important”

II. Chosen To Serve

Acts 6:1-6

v. 1-2

Growing Pains

v. 3-4

Sharing the Load

v. 5-6

Affirming the Call

III. Willing To Lead

Personal Reflection

Take time this week to pray & respond to the following:

The world gives much attention to the making, revering & destroying of leaders—men & women who wield power from a position of prestige, influence & authority. For many such leaders, ego overshadows humility & charisma is valued more than sincerity. Far too often, service to self takes precedent over service to one’s constituency.

The Bible reveals a drastically different kind of leadership. It is a duty born from sacrifice, carried out in love & fulfilled through service. Servant leaders are called & equipped by God to give of themselves for His glory, for the benefit of His people. Families, churches, communities & even nations will thrive or fail based upon the commitment of their leaders to serve others.

Who are the servant leaders that are investing in your life? Are you personally & publicly grateful for their efforts? Do you thank God for those He has sent to minister to your physical, spiritual & emotional needs—knowing that they too are people who need encouragement? In what areas of life are you practicing servant leadership & who are the beneficiaries of your sacrifice? Is God getting the glory for the work He does through your words & deeds?

Prayerfully consider your place in God's equipping & deploying of servant leaders. Ask Him to identify someone in your life who needs the love & encouragement of a servant leader. Ask God to enable you to be a servant to that individual and to others as He directs & gives opportunity. Take comfort & rejoice in the truth that by practicing servant leadership for the glory of God, you are following in the footsteps of the Lord Jesus. Furthermore you are opening the door of blessing from your heavenly Father & contributing to the growth of His Kingdom.