

SERVE ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE

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GALATIANS 5:13 NKJV

For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

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For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love.

Serve one another in love!

I need to get healed so
I can help others better.

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2 CORINTHIANS 1:3-4 NKJV

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, ⁴ who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

ROMANS 3:23 NKJV

for all have sinned and fall short of
the glory of God

1 PETER 5:8 NKJV

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

DEVOTIONAL

God made me for this moment in
time to love the unlovable, reflect
peace and turmoil, and show defiant
joy in every situation.

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WRONG MOTIVES FOR SERVING:

1. Hiding shame or guilt.
2. Trying to win others approval.
3. Trying to escape personal pain.
4. Trying to impress God with our good works.

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MARK 10:45 NKJV

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”

The kingdom of God is not about
getting.

The kingdom of God is about giving.

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MARK 8:35-36 NKJV

For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶ For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul?

MARK 8:35-36 NLT

If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake and for the sake of the Good News, you will save it.³⁶ And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul?

Selflessness NOT Selfishness

1 CORINTHIANS 13:1-3 NKJV

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal.² And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.³ And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing.

EPHESIANS 5:1-2

Imitate God, therefore, in everything you do, because you are his dear children. ² Live a life filled with love, following the example of Christ. He loved us and offered himself as a sacrifice for us, a pleasing aroma to God.

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JOHN 10:17-18

“The Father loves me because I sacrifice my life so I may take it back again.¹⁸ No one can take my life from me. I sacrifice it voluntarily. For I have the authority to lay it down when I want to and also to take it up again. For this is what my Father has commanded.”

TRUTH

Jesus wasn't killed, He laid down
his life!

Jesus died for me, now I live for
Him.

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2 CORINTHIANS 5:15

He died for everyone so that those who receive his new life will no longer live for themselves. Instead, they will live for Christ, who died and was raised for them.

EPHESIANS 2:10

For we are His workmanship,
created in Christ Jesus for good
works, which God prepared
beforehand that we should walk in
them.

LIST OF EXCUSES TO AVOID SERVING OTHERS:

1. I have nothing to offer
2. Everything should be done by the professionals
3. I don't see anything that needs to be done
4. My gifts won't be utilized
5. I'm too old

LIST OF EXCUSES TO AVOID SERVING OTHERS:

6. I'm too young
7. I feel disqualified
8. The opportunities don't appeal to me
9. I don't want to be prideful
10. I have been hurt before serving others

You can always give without loving,
but you can never love without
giving.

- Amy Carmichael