Title: LIVE SELFLESS

WHAT WOULD OTHERS SAY THAT YOU'RE ALWAYS DOING?

"The greatest among you <u>will be your servant</u>." Matthew 23:11 In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); <u>she was always doing good</u> and <u>helping the poor</u>. Acts 9:36

WHAT ARE YOU ALWAYS DOING?

HOW DO I BECOME A FAITHFUL SERVANT?

- BRING A LUNCH.
- OFFER A RIDE.
- CARRY A TOWEL.

BRING A LUNCH

One day Jesse said to David, "<u>Take this basket</u> of roasted grain and these ten loaves of bread, and carry them quickly to your brothers. ¹⁸ ... See how your brothers are getting along, and bring back a report on how they are doing." 1 Samuel 17:17-18 NLT

OFFER A RIDE

"If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'" Luke 19:31

CARRY A TOWEL

So [Jesus] got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. ⁵ After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet ... John 13:4-5

"The greatest among you will be your servant." Matthew 23:11

... "Whoever wants to be my disciple must <u>deny themselves</u> and take up their cross and follow me." Matthew 16:24 NIV

Then Peter, <u>filled with the Holy Spirit</u>, said to them, "Rulers and elders of our people, ⁹ are we being questioned today because we've done a good deed for a crippled man? Do you want to know how he was healed? ¹⁰ Let

me clearly state to all of you and to all the people of Israel that he was healed by the <u>powerful name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene</u>, the man you crucified but whom God raised from the dead. Acts 4:8-10

PEOPLE MATTER

SHARING OUR FAITH BOLDLY

WE SPEAK OPENLY ABOUT WHAT WE BELIEVE DEEPLY.

There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved. ¹³ The members of the council were <u>amazed</u> when they <u>saw the boldness of Peter and John</u>, for they could see that they were <u>ordinary men</u> with <u>no special training in the Scriptures</u>. They also recognized them as men who had <u>been with Jesus</u>. Acts 4:12-13

HOW DO WE GROW IN BOLDNESS?

1. SPEND MORE TIME WITH JESUS.

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2. ASK GOD TO GIVE YOU THE COURAGE.

And now, O Lord, hear their threats, and give us, your servants, great boldness in preaching your word. Acts 4:29

... "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him." 1 Corinthians 2:9

Then I saw a <u>new heaven and a new earth</u>, for the old heaven and the old earth had disappeared ... ³ I heard a loud shout from the throne, saying, "Look, God's home is now among his people! He will live with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them. ⁴ He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be <u>no more death or sorrow or crying or pain</u>. All these things are gone forever." ⁵ And the one sitting on the throne

said ... "It is finished! I am the Alpha and the Omega—the Beginning and the End. To all who are thirsty I will give freely from the springs of the water of life. ⁷ All who are victorious will inherit all these blessings, and I will be their God, and they will be my children. Revelation 21:1, 3-7