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- How does freedom in Christ actually help us to serve? (If you have everything you need in Christ, what do you need from others?)
- How does this verse say we are to serve? What are some wrong motives for serving?
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Who are the needy people around you? Look for “common ground” to connect with others. Consider ways that you can serve others in love!

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