

The Beginning: We Serve

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“For we are God’s masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so that we can do the good things he planned for us long ago (Ephesians 2:10 LB).”

This is our path to greatness, to follow Jesus in a path of downward mobility.

“Jesus did not come to be served but to serve and give his life as a ransom for many (Mark 10:45).”

“...but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant (Phil. 2:7).”

God’s design is that we be contributors not just _____.

Three Great Truths about Your Life of Service:

1. Your service is _____ to the body.

1 Corinthians 12:12 Membership? Organization or Organism?

Romans 12: 5, 6

I Peter 4:10-11

2. To serve you must be _____.

Matthew 25:14-33 - The talents

The more you understand your value, the more available you will be.

3. The greatest motivation to serve is found in _____.

John 13:3-5 &12-17

A. Serving flows from knowing who you are and where you are going.

B. The ultimate motivation for serving others is not honor from others but gratitude for the selflessness of Jesus toward us.