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**Serve One Another**

Galatians 5:13

**Key Truth:** When we truly understand who Jesus is and what he accomplished, our lives will be marked by love and service to others.

*Servanthood is the willingness to humble oneself and act for the benefit of another in the name of Jesus Christ.*

 *Dr. Tony Evans*

**What Hinders Our Service To One Another:**

1. Pride

2. Selfishness

3. Consumerism

**Some Truths About Servanthood:**

1. Every Christian has been called to serve.

2. Serving one another puts action to the word love.

 A. The love of Christ calls us to serve each other as Christ has

 served us.

3. Serving others sets us free from the bondage of worldliness.

4. The enemy of serving one another is idleness.

5. A powerful illustration of serving one another: **John 13:1-20**

 A. When we serve one another we are acting like Jesus Christ.

 1) The higher your position means you should have the

 greatest servant attitude.

 B. When we refuse to serve one another we are acting like

 Satan who wanted the preeminence over God.

6. There is a blessing in serving others. **Matthew 25:34-40**

**Taking It Beyond The Walls:** Go out of your way to serve one another. Look for opportunities to bless someone and serve in an area of ministry at our church.

**Connection Group Homework**

Looking back at your notes from this week’s teaching was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

Read Galatians 5:13-16: This passage from Galatians 5 is part of Paul’s teaching about the freedom we have in Christ. What dangerous opportunities does freedom provide? What was Paul afraid that freedom would give the Galatians an opportunity to do?

1 Peter 4:10-11: Why is important to know what your spiritual gift is? How does not knowing your spiritual gift affect the body of Christ. Why is it critical that we demonstrate what it looks like to serve others in a Christlike manner?

What are some specific gifts God has given you that you may not be currently using to serve God or to serve others? Pick one of these gifts that you can put to use, and ask the group to hold you accountable to begin using it.

Read Luke 22:24-27: Why do you think the disciples argued about which one of them would be the greatest? What does that say about the potential we each have to want to be greater than one another vice serving one another? How does Christianity go counter to the culture that we live in?

Does the church reflect more of Christ teaching in the area of serving or more of the world’s standards? Why or why not?

How can we demonstrate authentic humility as we serve others this week? What’s one way you can humbly and selflessly serve others?