Understanding 5 Callings of Discipleship Calling 5



Called to Live a Life of Service Ministry Lifestyle

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Key Spiritual Concept:

I have discovered my purpose, spiritual gift, and place of service in God's Kingdom.

Key Biblical Passages:

- Matthew 25:23
- I Peter 4:10-11

1. What does Living a Life of Service mean?

I have discovered my purpose, my spiritual gift, and my place in God's Kingdom.

1 Peter 4:10

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. (NIV)

2. The Example of Jesus: Live a Life of Service

Matthew 20:25-28

Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." (NIV)

3. Why Should I Give My Life to Serve God & People?

1) WE ARE CREATED FOR SERVICE

God made us for that purpose. We were designed for it. Ephesians $2:10\,$

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them."

2) WE ARE SAVED FOR SERVICE

2 Timothy 1:9

Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began.

3) WE ARE CALLED BY GOD FOR SERVICE

Romans 12:1–2 Living Sacrifices to God

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

4) WE HAVE BEEN GIFTED FOR SERVICE

1 Peter 4:10-11

As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

5) MY SERVICE PROVES THAT I BELONG TO CHRIST

Romans 7:4b

"...we should bring forth fruit unto God.."

6) MY CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS MY SERVICE

1 Corinthians 12:27

Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular."

7) BECAUSE WE OWE EVERYTHING TO CHRIST

1 Corinthians 6:20

For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's. (NKJV)

8) WE WILL BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR OUR SERVICE

2 Corinthians 5:10

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad. (NIV)

9) WE WILL BE REWARDED FOR OUR SERVICE IN ETERNITY (Heaven!)

John 12:26

If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honor.

Galatians 6:9-10

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers. (NIV)

10) WE ARE CALLED TO BE "DOERS" OF GOD'S WORD

lames 1:22

"But be ye doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves."

Why...

...in the world should we put our **ministry of serving God** and **serving people** at the top of our To Do List?

Because...

We are created for service.

We are **saved for service**.

We've been called by God to service.

We've been gifted for service.

We are **commanded to serve others**.

It proves I belong to Christ.

My church family **needs my service**.

Because we owe everything to Christ.

We will be held accountable for our service.

We will be **rewarded for eternity**.