

ONEanother series
Week 4 outline 1/28/2024
Gal 5:13-14; Phil 2:1-11
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Serve One Another **THE HEART OF A SERVANT**

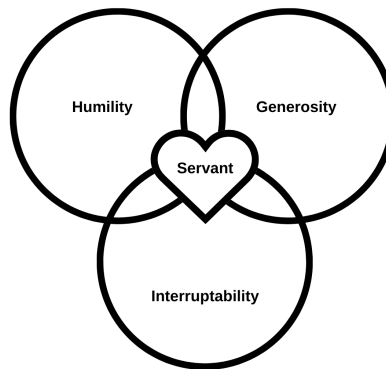
I. The Heart of a Servant (Gal 5:13-14, Phil 2:1-11)

Loving to Serve and Serving to Love

A. We Love To Serve When:

1. It's easy
2. It's convenient
3. It's rewarding

B. Three Muscle Groups in the Heart of a Servant



1. Humility:

Humility is foundational to our Christ-likeness. It is our posture of surrender, not simply to be like Jesus, but to allow Jesus to be in us.

2. Generosity:

Generosity means we operate out of the abundance of Christ rather than a scarcity mentality

3. Interruptability:

Being interruptible means we're more concerned about growing the Kingdom of Heaven than we are about building our own empires

C. Why we need all three:

1. Humble + Generous - Interruptible = DIY Christians
2. Interruptible + Humble - Generous = Dejected Christians
3. Generous + Interruptible - Humble = Sneaky Christians

II. A Priority, A Practice, and a Perspective

-Three ways to grow your heart as a servant
and fair warning... nothing about them is easy, convenient, or necessarily rewarding

A. Gain A New Perspective... EMPTY YOUR CUP

Mark 14:4-9... She did what she could

IT'S NOT YOUR JOB TO FILL EVERYONE ELSE'S CUP
IT'S JUST YOUR JOB TO EMPTY YOURS

B. Begin A New Practice... ONE not EVERYONE

Matthew 25:35-40... Doing for one is as if we do for Jesus.

"DO FOR ONE WHAT YOU WISH YOU COULD DO FOR EVERYONE" - A Stanley

C. A New Priority... PEOPLE OVER PLANS

Mark 5:21-30... Be willing to listen when the Holy Spirit speaks

YOUR PEOPLE ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN YOUR PLANS
BE ABOUT YOUR PEOPLE

LIFEGroup Questions:

1. In Mark 14 Jesus eats at the table with a man known by the community as "*Simon the Leper*" and comes to the defense of a woman ridiculed by the religious. Both Simon and the woman could have easily chosen to discount their ability to serve. Instead, both chose to offer what they could. In what areas are you tempted to discount your own ability to serve, and how does a relationship with Jesus free us to "empty our cups"?
2. In Matthew 25 Jesus says "*whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me*". Who is one person in your circle whom you have the opportunity to serve? Discuss how to potentially move forward in community through that process.
3. In Mark 5 Jesus stops moving through the crowd, knowing power had gone out from him, and says "*who touched me*"? How can we practice listening and obeying the prompting of the Holy Spirit? How is the Holy Spirit directing us in our daily activities to serve one another?