



A Heart to Serve Bible Study



Name a time in which God used someone in your life to fill a need that you had.

What comes to your mind when you hear the words “serve” or “servant”?

Read John 13:1-17

What did Jesus want to do in verse 1?

According to verse 3, what did Jesus know about Himself?

Knowing who He is and where He comes from, what does Jesus choose to do?

What is Jesus' point in verse 16?

Although Jesus had all authority and He knew that He was from God, He still chose to be a servant. He lived His whole life on earth serving others. Just as Jesus served, we are called to serve. If Jesus is our Master and we are His servants then we must obey His word and become servants too because no servant is greater than his master. While we are called to serve selflessly, there is a promise of blessings for our obedience.

Read Luke 8:1-3

How did the women serve?

What was the result?

Read Acts 6:1-4

What was the need in this passage of Scripture?

What kind of men did Paul and the leaders want to head up this ministry?

As these seven men served, what were Paul and the others able to do?

What was the result of these men serving in verse 7?

Sometimes when we hear the word “servant” we think of a person in a low position with a dirty dreadful job. However, Paul gives us a new way to think about those who serve. These were Godly men who loved the Lord and yet they were given the task to serve by distributing food to the needy. While we may think that passing out food is a menial job that anyone could do, these men were chosen to serve because they were full of the Spirit and wisdom which helps give us a different picture of a “servant.” Their obedience paved the way for God to do awesome things and as a result the Kingdom of God grew rapidly. When we are obedient and take on the heart and job of a servant God is glorified and His kingdom is extended.

Read Ruth 2:1-6, 17-18 and 3:9-11

How did she serve?

What was her reputation?

How did the Lord bless her in 4:18-22?

Read Mathew 25:34-39

What does this teach us about serving others?

What is the reward?

Application

What new things did the Lord teach you about serving?

What are some ways you can serve in your family, work, church and home?

When we choose to be obedient the Lord blesses us. These men and women that we have just read about loved the Lord and were so godly. As they were obedient the Lord did great things through them and in their lives. We are all called to serve and while it can be hard and inconvenient there are so many rewards that come our way when we serve others for the Lord!

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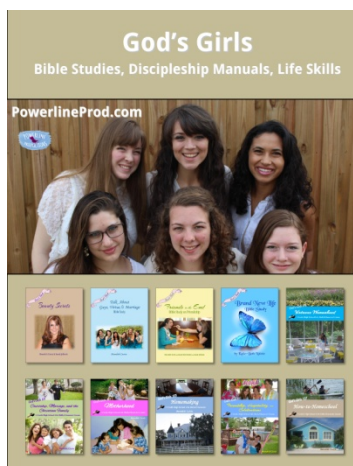
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