

You Are Saved To Serve



Matthew 20:20-28
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20 Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Jesus with her sons and, kneeling down, asked a favor of him. **21** "What is it you want?" he asked. She said, "Grant that one of these two sons of mine may sit at your right and the other at your left in your kingdom."



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22 "You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said to them. "Can you drink the cup I am going to drink?" "We can," they answered. 23 Jesus said to them, "You will indeed drink from my cup, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared by my Father."



24 When the ten heard about this, they were indignant with the two brothers. 25 Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them.



26 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, 27 and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— 28 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)






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If You Are Going To Be Like Christ **– You Must Be Involved In** **Ministry**_____.

Matthew 20:28 Your attitude must be like my own, for I, the Messiah, did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give my life as a ransom for many.” (LB)



Definition:

Ministry is using whatever
God has given me, to serve
Him and the needs of
Others in the name of
Jesus Christ.



General Observations

1. Recognize You have both a PRIMARY and a SECONDARY ministry.

▶ My Primary Ministry commitment should be in the area where I am **Gifted**!

▶ My Secondary Ministry commitment includes serving in any other area of the Body where I am **Needed**.



2. We Minister In 3 Directions

A. We Minister Upward.

B. We Minister Inward.

C. We Minister Outward.



3. We Minister In 3 Areas

1. We Minister to Physical Needs

2. We Minister to Emotional Needs

3. We Minister to Spiritual Needs



1. Every Member is **A Minister.**

2. Every Member's Ministry is
Important.

3. Every Member Is Dependent
On One Another.



1. The Purpose of Ministry.

1 Corinthians 12 ⁵ There are different kinds of service in the church, but it is the same Lord we are serving.... ⁷ A spiritual gift is given to each of us as a means of helping the entire church. (NLT)



Ephesians 4:12

**To prepare God's
people for works of
service, so that the
body of Christ may be
built up-- (NIV84)**



▶ **God Wants To Use You To
Build Up His Church !**



2. The Priority of Ministry

A. You Are Fulfilled By Ministry.

2 Corinthians 9:12 This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. (NIV)



**B You Are Created For
Ministry.**

**Ephesians 2:10 For we are
God's workmanship, created
in Christ Jesus to do good
works, which God prepared
in advance for us to do.
(NIV)**



C. You Are Called For Ministry.

**Ephesians 4:1 I urge you to
live a life worthy of the
calling you have received.
(NIV)**



1 Peter 2:9-10

...You have been chosen by God himself—you are priests of the King, ..., you are God's very own—all this so that you may show to others how God called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰Once you were less than nothing; now you are God's own. (LB)



A Life Changing Truth – My Primary Identity

I am a Minister of Jesus Christ

- ▶ **I am not who I think I am**
- ▶ **I am not who you think I am**
- ▶ **But I really am who God says I am!**



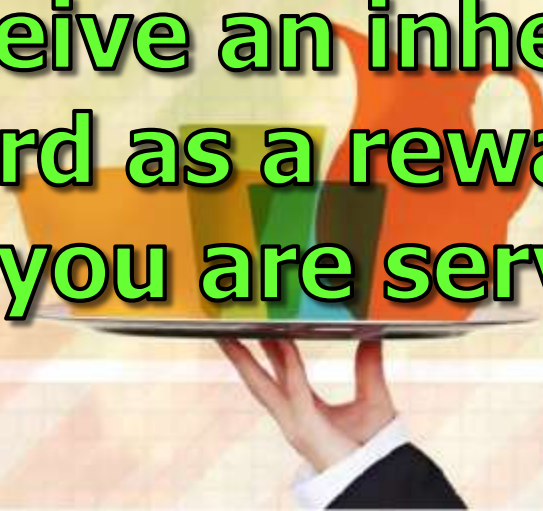
D. You Are Accountable For Your Ministry

Romans 14:12 So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God. (NIV)



E. You Will Be Rewarded For Your Ministry.

Colossians 3:23-24 ²³ Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, ²⁴ since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving. (NIV)



3. The Problem of Ministry.

A. Overcome The Enemy of Fear.

1 Corinthians 2:3 I came to you in weakness and fear, and with much trembling. (NIV)



B. Overcome The Enemy of Secular Values.

Matthew 6:24 "No one can serve two masters. The person will hate one master and love the other, or will follow one master and refuse to follow the other. You cannot serve both God and worldly riches. (NCV)



C. Overcome The Enemy of Inadequacy.

Romans 8:30 God planned for them to be like his Son; and those he planned to be like his Son, he also called; and those he called, he also made right with him; and those he made right, he also glorified. (NCV)



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