

Serve One Another

Better Together Series – Part 5
Galatians 5:13-15; 1Peter 4:10; Matt 20:26-28
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1 Peter 4:10

¹⁰ Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.




Galatians 5:13–14

¹³ You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. ¹⁴ The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."-- (NIV)



Matthew 20:26–28

²⁶ But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant, ²⁷ and whoever wants to be first among you must become your slave. ²⁸ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many.”-- (NLT)



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Why – Do You Need Others To Serve?



1. It Is God's Plan.

Philippians 2:2² Then make me truly happy by agreeing wholeheartedly with each other, loving one another, and working together with one mind and purpose.-- (NLT)



2. We Are A Family.

1Corinthians 3:9 ⁹We work together as partners who belong to God. (NLT)



Ephesians 2:19

19 So then, you Gentiles are not foreigners or strangers any longer; you are now fellow-citizens with God's people and members of the family of God.-- (GNB)



3. We Need Each Other.

Romans 12:5⁵. . . Each of us finds our meaning and function as a part of his body. But as a chopped-off finger or cut-off toe we wouldn't amount to much, would we (The Msg)



4. We Get More Done.

1 Corinthians 3:8⁸ The one who plants and the one who waters work as a team with the same purpose. -- (NLT)



What Does It Take To Serve as a T.E.A.M. ?



T – Stands for Trust.

1 Timothy 6:20²⁰ Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. (NIV)



Proverbs 20:6

6 Many people claim to be loyal, but it is hard to find a trustworthy person.-- (NCV)



3 Ingredients That Build Trust
You EARN People's Trust by . . .



1. By Being Consistent .

Luke 16:10¹⁰ "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, . . . (NIV)



2. By Being Confidential.

Proverbs 11:13¹³ A gossip betrays a confidence, but a trustworthy man keeps a secret.



3. By Being Close.

Proverbs 17:17¹⁷ Friends love through all kinds of weather, and families stick together in all kinds of trouble.-- (The Msg.)



E – Stands For Empathy.

1 Peter 3:8⁸ Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble.-- (NIV)



1. By Slowing Down .

James 1:19¹⁹ Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry,-- (NIV)



2. By Asking Questions.

Proverbs 20:5⁵ A person's thoughts are like water in a deep well, but someone with insight can draw them out.-- (GNB)



3. By Showing Emotion.

Romans 12:15¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.-- (ESV)



A – Stand For Accommodations .

2 Timothy 2:22b ²² . . . Always do the right thing. Be faithful, loving, and easy to get along with.. . . -- (CEV)



1. By Accommodating Other's Needs.

Romans 15:2² Each one of us needs to look after the good of the people around us, asking ourselves, "How can I help?"-- (The Msg.)



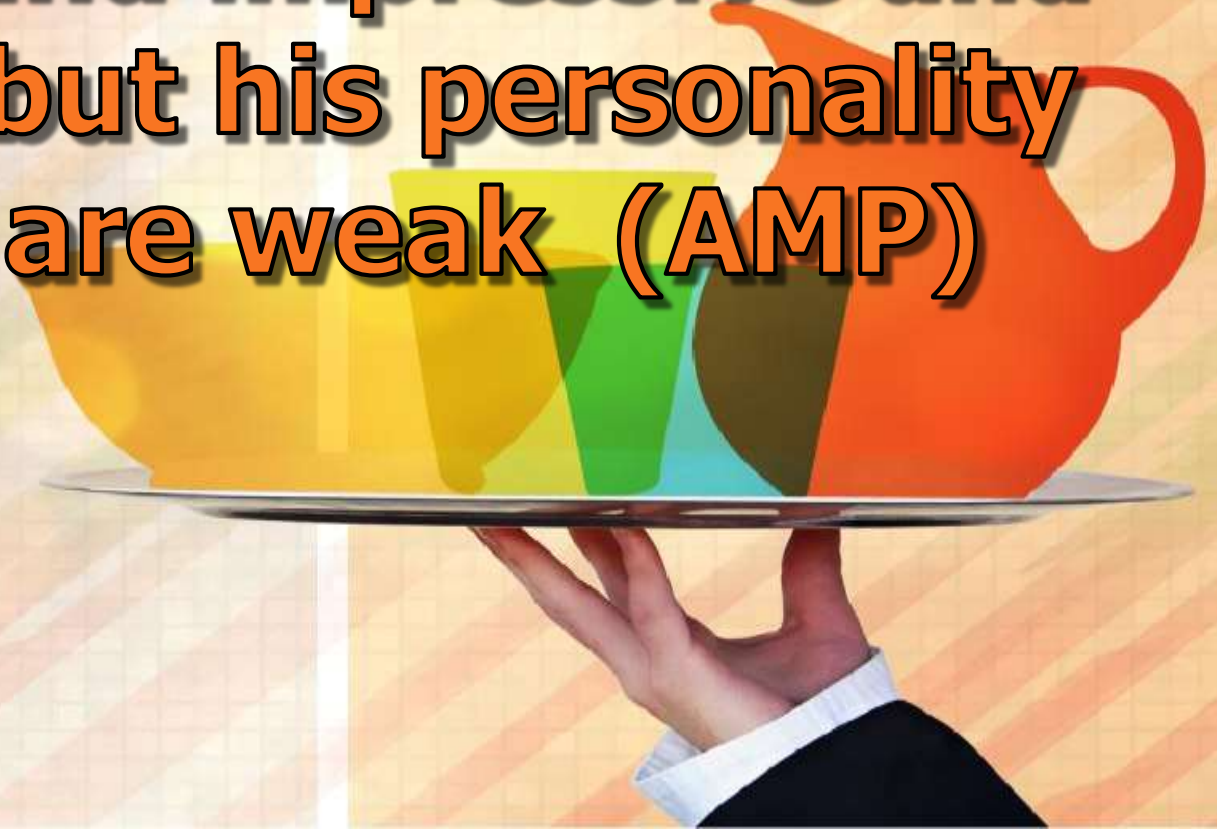
2. By Accommodating Other's Ideas .

Proverbs 18:15¹⁵ The intelligent man is always open to new ideas. In fact, he looks for them.-- (TLB)



3. By Accommodating Other's Personality.

2 Corinthians 10:10¹⁰ For they say, His letters are weighty and impressive and forceful and telling, but his personality and bodily presence are weak (AMP)



4. By Accommodating Other's Faults.

Ephesians 4:2² Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love.-- (NLT)



M – Stands For Mission.

Philippians 2:2² make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose.-- (NASB)



Mark 16:15

15 And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.-- (ESV)



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