

FIND REST IN JESUS

SCRIPTURAL REFERENCE Luke 22:24-27

ADDITIONAL STUDY
Psalm 110:3
Mark 2:1-4
I Peter 4:9-10

PRAYER

Ask for a willing and obedient heart to enable you release the treasures God has put in you as a drink offering in serving Him in your generation, through selfless acts of service to humanity.

TO DO

Look around you, is there a needy family, colleague or friend you can serve with your time and/or resources today? Go ahead and serve them.

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For who is greater, he who sits at the table, or he who serves? Is it not he who sits at the table? Yet I am among you as the One who serves

- Luke 22:27

Have you ever been to a posh restaurant and the waiter comes and says, "I am Julius; I'm at your service?" What he is saying in essence is, "I am here to wait on you; to make your stay enjoyable. Anything you need, let me know, I will SERVE you."

SERVICE is simply the action of helping or doing work for someone; it is an act of assistance. It is one of the greatest gifts we can give to man and to God. Service will get your hands dirty, it will inconvenience you, eat into your time, and may sometimes incur insults...but somehow, God (life) sees and rewards.

Jesus said, "I am amongst you as One who serves." A heathy Christian life therefore; is one where the spirit of servanthood is present and acts of service are carried out constantly. Every act of service is ultimately to the Lord. People benefit from our service, but we get our commendation and reward from God.

Now, the question is, "What Acts of Service are you rendering in your marketplace, neighborhood, home, local assembly, or the larger society where you live?" "Who are you inconveniencing yourself for?" "Who are you ministering to and giving assistance?" "Whose stay are you making enjoyable in your marketplace? "Who are you presenting to Jesus?"

The primary reason God got you saved is so that you might serve Him (Luke 1:74). And you serve Him by your acts of service to others; Hebrews 6:10 puts it this way, "God is not unjust to forget your labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints and do minister." It was service to the saints, but it was labor of love shown toward God. He notes it, keeps record of it, considers it as done unto Him and rewards it. Look into yourself, what things has God put in you to serve humanity? Release them to Him today, because He has need of them. Service is the rent we pay to God for the space we occupy in this world.

"Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love." $^{\sim}$ Martin Luther King Jr.