You are Invited To Serve

Gal. 5:13-15; Eph. 2:8-10, 4:11-13; Acts 2:44-45, 4:32-35, 6:1-7; Mark 10:42-45

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MESSAGE NOTES

Main Idea: Followers of Jesus are invited to <u>SERVE</u> others with love (Galatians 5:13-15). To serve is to love God by loving people in tangible, practical ways.

Why should we accept the invitation to serve others with love?

When we serve others with love... we <u>FULFILL</u> our very reason for existence.

Ephesians 2:8-10

Ephesians 4:11-13

When we serve others with love... we <u>MEET</u> the needs of others.

Acts 2:44-45

Acts 4:32-35

Acts 6:1-7

When we serve others with love... we <u>REFLECT</u> the heart of Jesus.

Mark 10:42-45

"Here I am, Lord, your willing servant."

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Describe one of your first Christian service experiences. What did you learn from that experience?
- 2. Why is it such an honor to be invited by God to serve others with love?
- 3. Why does God invite us to love him by loving others in tangible, practical ways?
- 4. Three reasons for accepting the invitation to serve were given:

We fulfill our reason for existence
We meet the needs of others
We reflect the heart of Jesus

- 5. Of the three, which is the strongest motivation for you and why?
- 6. How does our service provide a "welcome mat" to the kingdom of God? Do you have examples of how you have seen this come true?