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LifeGroup Discussion Guide

Week 3 - I will serve the ministry of my church

How to use This Guide:

Talking through the message during the week helps you and your group turn what God is saying to you into action steps. Begin with the discussion questions, add any optional scriptures and questions if needed, and then wrap up by deciding on your next steps.

Discussion Questions:

- Should our church be focused on those inside of the church or outside of the church? Or can it be both? Share your thoughts and reasoning with the group.

Why is Spiritual Growth important - Discuss the following quotes

- Service is the overflow which pours from a life filled with love and devotion. But strictly speaking, there is no call to do that. Service is what I bring to the relationship and is the reflection of my identification with the nature of God. Service becomes a natural part of my life. God brings me into the proper relationship with Himself so that I can understand His call, and then I serve Him on my own out of a motivation of absolute love. - Oswald Chambers
- The rate at which I was doing the work of God, was destroying the work of God in me. - Bill Hybels

Read Mark 10:35-45

- When you go into a store or restaurant, what is a sign of “good service?”
- What does it mean when we instruct someone to “practice what you preach”?
- After reading the theme passage, why does Jesus use a servant to demonstrate a person considered to be worthy of greatness? How do you think this also describes a great person in our society?
- Why does God link the themes of service and leadership, and how do you see them relate?
- Sometimes it is easier to serve people we know rather than strangers or people with whom we do not feel comfortable. Why is that?

Read Ephesians 4:11-16 -

- Is this a good illustration of how our church functions? What is your role?
- Go to www.mycornerstone.org/membership to learn more about membership at Cornerstone.
- **What was your biggest take-away from the weekend message?**
- **What did God say to you today through His Word? And what are you going to do about it!**

Next Steps

Read through the membership and elder responsibilities included in the bulletin today. During the fourth week of this series, you will have the opportunity to become a member at Cornerstone. We invite you to become part of our family here at Cornerstone. You can find a place to belong, and a place to use your gifts. Together, we want to grow as disciples. As we experience new life in Christ, we learn how to be equipped to follow Christ, and we engage our community and world for Christ. You can belong here.

Experience - Equip - Engage

I will serve the ministry of my church

- ... by pursuing ongoing spiritual growth
- ... by discovering my gifts and talents
- ... by being equipped to serve
- ... by developing a servant's heart