

Message Reflections
October 15, 2023

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Jesus (Mark 10:45)

The Bible tells us not only what to expect when we serve others, but how to serve others. Service is giving, and giving is the very essence of the gospel.

Read Philippians 2:1-4, John 12:22-26, and John 13:1-17.

Reflect:

- Am I a servant of Jesus Christ or do I make Jesus my servant? Is being a servant of Jesus Christ at the core of who I consider myself?
- What is it about serving others that you find hard to do? What are some things that have prevented you from serving others in the past? What are the wrong motivations you struggle with when serving others?

Practice: Serve others by choosing one tangible way to serve someone in your household, neighborhood, or community each day this week.

Commit: Regardless of the degree of commitment to service you have made in the past—or lack of commitment—you can make a new start today. Ask God to forgive you for wasted opportunities to serve. Make a commitment to serve out of your abilities and spiritual gifts, and if you don't know them, commit to start by discovering your gifts at the upcoming class. (Register here:

https://remembrancechurch.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1983572.)