SERVING ONE ANOTHER

1 Corinthians 9.19-23 // June 7, 2020

SERVANT TO ALL

Those under the Law: this speaks of the Jews.

Those outside the Law: this speaks of Gentiles, the Greeks in particular. Free from all: Paul here specifically chose to not let others support him financially, even though he had the biblical right to. He did this so he could not be accused of partiality.

Servant to all: Paul had willfully lowered himself to serve all, with no obligation other than love!

A Christian is a perfectly free master of all, subject to none. A Christian is a perfectly dutiful servant of all, subject to all. - Martin Luther

1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

THE INCARNATION

God is a missionary God. He is a sending God. And, in the Person of Jesus, He is also a *sent* God. He came to this earth, and dwelt among us. And though free from all, He lowered Himself a little bit lower than the angels, and served us.

Remaining what he was, he became what he was not. - Early Unknown Theologian

Hebrews 4.15, 16

KEEPING THE MAIN THING THE MAIN THING

When we serve others, bless others, come alongside others, and seek to understand others, it does not necessarily mean that you condone, approve of, or support every aspect of their ideology or lifestyle. Jesus was such a friend of sinners and tax collectors that He Himself was accused of being a drunk and a glutton, though He was not. Even as He sought to enter into the world to show compassion, He never ceased being God, and never sinned.

We remember that the only long term, eternal solution to all injustice, pain, and suffering is for the Church of Jesus Christ to proclaim the Gospel of the Kingdom, Christ and Him crucified.



This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Zephaniah 3:17

The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to fill out a Connection Card so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the Connection Booth outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll join us next Sunday and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our 6th - 8th graders begin each Sunday by worshiping with the adults and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our 9th-12th graders stay in the service with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the Memory Verse?

Read 1 Corinthians 9.19-23. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

How does "the Christmas Story" not only serve as our fuel for our mission, but also serve as the example of our mission? Why must the Gospel be our central focus?

Repent and Ask for Provision

Becoming all things to all men can be a tightrope walk. One side, we can fall into "ditch" of being so unaware, inconsiderate, or indifferent to other people's experiences and problems, and on the other side, we can fall into the "ditch" of being so enveloped in them, we forget to keep the Gospel central. Which "ditch" do you find yourself most often drifting (or falling!) into? How does the message of the Gospel keep you in the center? What might you ask God for to help you become all things to all people, while also not being of the world?

Your Life Mission

Humility, love, grace, and service are at a premium these days. With so much division and anger, it goes against our culture to both seek justice while also maintaining biblical truth. We are called to be ministers of reconciliation, ambassadors for Christ in a hope to see sinners be reconciled with Christ. What conversations might you be having soon that can be used to make Christ known to your neighbors who are sifting through a time of chaos and confusion?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the P.R.A.Y. model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love. Make sure to end your time of prayer Yielding with Thanksgiving for God's sovereignty and plan for your life.



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