

## Good and Faithful Servants

There are many types of servants. Those who are servants because they are made to serve and those who choose to serve. Those who love Jesus and want to serve Him will do so with love for others. That means you choose to serve others and put them first before you think about your own desires.

An example might be found in the ice cream store. You have money for a single scoop of ice cream and your friend has no money. You could buy a single scoop on a cone or buy a single scoop and have it put into a cup. Ask for two spoons and share.

Your mother has a headache. You go into the kitchen and wash the dishes without telling her you are doing it. Just because.

Your father is out in the garage or the yard cleaning up things. You walk out and ask, "Can I help?"

A goofy kid in your class gets made fun of and is shunned by other students. You ask him/her to sit with you at lunch. You ask them about their pets, favorite toys, church or family. Believe it or not, this could be the best day of their entire year. Someone cared about them.

### Scripture:

#### [John 12:26](#)

If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

#### [Mark 10:45](#)

For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

#### [1 Corinthians 4:1-2](#)

This is how one should regard us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy.

### [Mark 9:35](#)

And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."

### [Colossians 3:23-24](#)

Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.

### [Matthew 6:24](#)

"No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.

#### **Questions:**

1. Is it easier to be served or to serve?
2. Does it feel good to do something for someone else even when no one asks you to do it?
3. How do you think Jesus felt, dying for people He did not even know?

**Nest Steps:** Always look for something to do for others. Make a list and do those things.