

THESIS:

God uses people to help others become mature disciples. We are called to serve one another in humility and love (Gal. 5:13). Jesus' disciples embrace the blessing and responsibility to serve others, and learn to serve with right attitudes and actions.



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INTRODUCTION:

Share with the group a time that someone blessed you by serving you and/or a way that you were able to bless someone else by serving them.

LOVE YOUR
NEIGHBOR:

Discipling Idea:

If you haven't already, find a place to serve in your local church. If you are serving, invite someone to join you.

- How have you loved your neighbors inside the group this week?
- How have you loved your neighbors outside of your group this week?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Q1. What are some of the right motives for serving God? What are some of the wrong motives?
- Q2. How have you observed or experienced people in your church and/or NG serve as described in the sections above? What did you think or feel about it?
- Q3. What are some of the blessings and burdens that you've experienced as you've sought to serve God by serving others in the context of a local church, or church related ministry?
- Q4. How would you like to apply this lesson in this season of your life?

PRAISE AND PRAYER:

1. Praise the Lord for His example and his humility and willingness to serve others
2. Pray that God would test your heart and show you your motives for serving and align them with Him
3. Pray for God to show you how He has gifted you and where He is opening doors for you to serve
4. Pray for the Holy Spirit to empower you to "walk worthy of God who calls you into His own kingdom and glory" (v.12)