Answer Key:

Serving Like Jesus...

1. available

What holds you back from Servicing?

self-centeredness

nitpicking

materialism

2. grateful

Why don't people Serve with a grateful attitude?

- compare / criticize
 wrong motivations
- 3. faithful

What does faithfulness look like?

dedication
 sacrifice

4. generous

FOCUS

Part 8

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Ephesians 2:10 NIV

"We are God's handiwork (workmanship) (masterpiece), <u>created</u> in Christ Jesus to <u>do good works</u>, which God <u>prepared in advance</u> for

us to do."

Introductory Statement

Even before you were born God prepared in advance what He wanted you to do with your life. That is an amazing thing! You were created to contribute. You were made for ministry. You were designed to make a difference. You are not here by accident. God put you on this planet to make a specific contribution. Not just to take up space, to breathe air, use resources and die. No! You were put here for a purpose.

Genuine servanthood is without <u>RECOGNITION</u>

and without STOPPING

Job 10:8 NLT

"You formed me with your hands; you made me..."

Serving Like Jesus...

1. SERVING like Jesus means being

Matthew 20:30-32 NIV

"Two blind men...shouted, 'Lord, have mercy on us!' ...<u>Jesus</u>

stopped and called them. 'What do you want me to do for you?' he

asked."

What holds you back from Serving?

Philippians 2:4 Message

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"Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand."

Jude 1:16 Living Bible

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"These men are constant gripers, never satisfied, doing whatever

evil they feel like; they are loudmouthed "show-offs," and when

they show respect for others, it is only to get something from them

in return."

•_____!

Luke 16:13 NIV

"No servant can serve two masters... You cannot serve both God

and money."

Proverbs 3:28 TEV

"Never tell your neighbors to wait until tomorrow if you can help

them <u>now</u>."

Serving Like Jesus...

2. SERVING like Jesus means being _____

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Psalm 119:108 Living Bible

"Accept my grateful thanks and teach me your desires."

1 Timothy 1:12 NCV

"I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who gave me strength, because he

trusted me and gave me this work of serving him."

Why don't people Serve with a grateful attitude?

_____&____!

Romans 14:4 GWT

"Who are you to criticize someone else's servant? <u>The Lord will</u>

determine whether his servant has been successful."

______ <u>_____</u>___ !

Matthew 6:1 CEV

"When you do good deeds, <u>don't try to show off</u>. If you do, you

won't get a reward from your Father in heaven."

Serving God is one of the most important principles of the

Christian faith, as believers are expected to help the church

with a joyful spirit.

Serving Like Jesus...

SERVING like Jesus means being ______.

1 Corinthians 4:2 TEV

"The one thing required of servants is that they be <u>faithful</u>..."

John 17:4 NIV

"I have brought you glory on earth by <u>completing the work</u> you

gave me to do."

1 Corinthians 15:58 Message

"Throw yourselves into the work of the Master, confident that nothing you do for him is a waste of time or effort."

What does faithfulness look like?

• Equal ______ to every task.

Not equal gifts, but equal ______.

Ecclesiastes 11:4 Living Bible

"If you wait for <u>perfect conditions</u>, you'll never get anything done!"

Serve Like Jesus...

4. SERVING like Jesus means being _____

Romans 3:24 Message

"Out of <u>sheer generosity</u> God put us in right standing with himself. A pure gift! He got us out of the mess we're in and restored us to where he always wanted us to be. And he did it by means of Jesus Christ."

2 Corinthians 9:13 NLT

"You will be <u>alorifying God</u> through your generous gifts. For your <u>generosity will prove</u> that you are obedient to the Good News of

Christ."

2 Corinthians 9:11 NIV

"<u>You will be enriched</u> in every way so you can be generous on every

occasion, and your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."

Hebrews 6:10 NLT

"He will <u>not forget</u> how hard you have worked for him and how you

have shown your love to him by caring for other Christians."

Question

Are you available to God to be used in any time anywhere? In

a grocery store? In a bank? In a classroom? In a Life group

class?

Are you available?