

Deeper Life Notes

ENGAGE: "Serving Others" (Romans 12:6-21)

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- Review:** WEFC Values =
1. Receiving Christ ([John 1:12](#))
 2. Spending Time with God ([John 15:5](#))
 3. Connecting in Community ([Romans 12:5](#))
 4. Serving Others ([Galatians 5:13-14](#))

*Therefore, brothers and sisters, in view of the mercies of God, I urge you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your **true worship**.* - **Romans 12:1 CSB**

→ **To worship God truly is to serve others sincerely!**

Read: [Romans 12:6-21](#)

3 WAYS TO CAST YOUR SERVICE

1. WITH YOUR _____¹ (Romans 12:6-8)

v.6 - "grace" (God's Riches At Christ's Expense) = basis for our relationship with God & others

*Other lists of spiritual gifts in the NT = 1 Corinthians 12:4-11, Ephesians 4:11-12, 1 Peter 4:7-11

→ God gives us gifts for the purpose for which He designed them!

*To serve others well, you must also be served by others.

"The teacher transmits knowledge, and the exhorter stimulates." - Martin Luther

¹ GIFT(S)

2. WITH YOUR _____² (Romans 12:9-16)

*Which of the commands in these verses sticks out to you? Why? How can you live it out?

→ What is the context of 1 Corinthians 13, the “love chapter”?

*If serving is what we’re called to do, then love is how we’re called to do it.

“For the love of Christ compels us, since... one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all so that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for the one who died for them and was raised.” - 2 Corinthians 5:14-15

3. WITH YOUR TRUST IN _____³ (Romans 12:17-21)

*Why does God give us commands in Scripture?

*The implications of v.18 are that peace with people sometimes isn’t possible. Why?

*If our love be a hindrance to thine,
Thy counsel we take,
And each other forsake,
To recover the friendship divine. - Charles Wesley, Hymns for Christian Friends*

*How does Jesus exemplify serving others? (See John 19:2, Romans 5:8, Philipians 2:5-11)

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² LOVE

³ GOD