



**All In Part 2 – Pick Up A Towel**  
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**USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to discuss the weekend message.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together. Give priority to the needs and pace of your group members.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

**[Romans 12:6, TPT]**

God's Marvelous grace imparts to each one of us varying gifts and ministries that are uniquely ours.

**[Ephesians 4:16, NLT]**

He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.

"Special work". Greek *energeia* = energy, efficiency, productivity, and in the NT used only of superhuman power

**[Ephesians 6:1, NLT]**

But as the believers rapidly multiplied, there were rumblings of discontent...

## **[Ephesians 6:7, NLT]**

So God's message continued to spread. The number of believers greatly increased in Jerusalem, and many of the Jewish priests were converted, too.

**So how do we discover and develop "OUR OWN SPECIAL GIFT?"  
We serve our way into it!**

## **Kingdom Paradox's**

- The last will be first
- The least will become the greatest
- The weak become strong
- The foolish confound the wise
- Those who give it all away end up with the most
- Those who hang on to everything, lose what they had
- Those who lose their life for Christ's sake, find it

**"IF YOU WANT TO BE THE GREATEST IN GOD'S KINGDOM, YOU MUST  
BECOME THE SERVANT OF ALL "**

## **[Mark 10:43-45, NLT]**

<sup>43</sup> "Whoever wants to be great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup> and whoever wants to be first among you must be the slave of everyone else. <sup>45</sup> For even the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many."

## **[John 13:4-5, NLT]**

<sup>4</sup> So he got up from the table, took off his robe, wrapped a towel around his waist, <sup>5</sup> and poured water into a basin. Then he began to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel he had around him.

## **[John 13:12-15, NLT]**

<sup>12</sup> After washing their feet, he put on his robe again and sat down and asked, "Do you understand what I was doing? <sup>13</sup> You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and you are right, because that's what I am. <sup>14</sup> And since I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash each other's feet. <sup>15</sup> I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you."

## **WHEN WE SERVE:**

**1. The Body (the Church) becomes "healthy and growing and full of love"**

**2. We continually discover and develop our unique giftings**

**3. We become more like Jesus than any other practice or behavior**

***"I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you."***

**4. We position our lives for promotion because serving requires humility**

**5. Those far from God see Jesus in His servants**

- **Guest Services** – Needs 50 more people (across all services) for current services and 25-to add a service
- **Kids Ministry** – Needs 179 more people (across all campuses) for current services and 247 for a new service
- **Youth Ministry** – Needs 20 more people (in Vacaville)

**[Ephesians 13:17, NLT]**

*Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.*

**FOR MONDAY—**

1. Pray and ask God to give you a heart that serves others.
2. Next, start the journey of serving others by joining a team  
[www.tfh.org/startservicing](http://www.tfh.org/startservicing)

**TALK IT THROUGH**

1. Think of a time when you served someone. How did that make them feel? How did it make you feel?
2. What is the difference between how we spend our life versus where we invest our lives?
3. What special work or gifts has God given you?
4. Why is it vital to serve others? Why is there never a time when you are done serving?
5. Who are one or two people in your sphere of influence that seem to be the hardest to reach? What towels are you picking up to serve them?
6. What happens to our lives when we serve? What happens to our church when we serve?
7. When have you intentionally taken the lowest place, and for what reason?
8. Let's get practical... Where and whom can you start serving?