

Service Growing

- As you are experimenting, and discovering your gifts review your experience through these lenses. When you do [this service]:
 - Do you feel closer to God?
 - Do you feel you add value?
 - Do others recognize the value you add?
 - Does it seem easier to you than to others?
 - Does it quiet a restlessness or dissatisfaction you have at the service not being done?
- Offer Help Where It's Needed. The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' – Matthew 25:40
There's an old saying about how an act of kindness, no matter how small, can never be meaningless. Even minor displays of love can change lives for the better. Do you know a couple who just had a baby? Take them a meal some night. Is someone moving into the house next door? Welcome them to the neighborhood and help carry their belongings. Is someone you know sick? Perhaps offer to watch their children for a day so they can rest. Don't pass up an opportunity to help where it's needed. These moments may be brief, but they'll be remembered.
- As you continue to move to the right, look for our next Monday night Journey class that has started/will begin soon. Journey 2 will strengthen your faith and answer questions you may have regarding the meaning of worship, listening and hearing from God, applying Scripture to your everyday lives, and so much more.
- Hide God's word in your heart. Start with memorizing this verse.
Isaiah 40:30-31 *"Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."*
- Pray for God to help you see where you are the best fit in the Body of Christ [the church].
- Consider the 40 hours in a normal work week. In addition to tithing on your financial increase, are you also tithing on your time? Try tithing on the time you spend (or have/will spend) adding value to others in your employment. Consider tithing weekly on your time in these categories
 - 1 hour in corporate worship
 - 1 hour in corporate Bible Study and/or Small Group
 - 1 hour service inside the church
 - 1 hour service outside the church
- Remember God has given you as a gift to the church. Be faithful in using that gift.