

At Your Service  
Week 3

Matthew 25:35–40

'For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

Title: Anywhere, for Anyone

**You ever asked someone for directions?**

- Who here is like I will figure it out on my own? Some people are like I need help.
- Im that way.
- Leah is not. She gets embarrassed of me. Ever asked someone for help and they didn't work there.
- Help me with where I am supposed to go.

**As we end tonight sermon series on serving, I wanted to help you with your direction on where you can serve. I want to give you some specific direction so you can start right away.**

**Main Point: Where Can I Serve?**

Story I read, there were 6 statements that actually help us focus on where we can serve.

'For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink,

Intimate setting. Close quarters. With those who you are close with.

**1. Serve at Home (Image)**

Our home is a great place to learn and be a servant. We can serve our parents and our Siblings

Let's start something as teenagers.

**Instead of our parents asking us to do something for them or telling us to do something, how about we serve them and do something for them, before they even ask.**

**How about we do the dishes before they ask us.  
How about we clean our room before they ask us to.  
Or take out the trash.**

Some of us we have a hard time even doing what our parents ask, so maybe its time to change the script and be a servant at our homes.

I be some of our parents would pass out if we did something before they asked.

**Deuteronomy 5:16  
New International Version**

**16 "Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live long and that it may go well with you in the land the LORD your God is giving you.**

Let's get in a habit of doing things for our parents before they ask us to.

Serve at home.

*I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me,*

**2. Serve in your Community (Image)**

There are so many needs in our community and schools right now, but we are either too busy or disinterested to meet those needs.

Our community needs people to serve it. Needs people to humbly volunteer.

To feed the homeless. Cloth those who are not privileged.

Clean up the city.

**We need to start giving back to our community.  
Many of us take advantage of us the things of our community and never give back or add value to it.**

*Romans 12:10 - "Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves."*

I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.'

### **3. Serve in the Church (Image) (Message break)**

1 Peter 4:10-11 - "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

The church needs your gifts.

The church needs people to give and volunteer their time and effort to help reach other people.

**Any time you serve in church, you are giving others the opportunity to experience Jesus.**

- We need students to serve here on Wednesday, greeting, setting up, doing check in. helping with Tech.
- We need students serving on Sunday, in Kids ministry,

**It is time to stop just showing up to church and time to start serving at church.**

**Romans 12:11 (ESV) Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord."**

Conclusion

- Disciples in Acts
- After Jesus left, there Repetitive actions that the disciples would do as they would minister the gospel.
- They would travel to a new city, stay with new people, and build a church. And serve in doing all that.

**New city, new home, new church, and serve all those areas.**

**We need believers to have that mindset again. We need disciples willing to serve anywhere and anyone.**

**Student Serve Team Meeting**