

**Serving others is a source of eternal joy.**

*For what is our hope or joy or crown of boasting  
before our Lord Jesus at his coming? Is it not you?  
For you are our glory and joy. 1 Thessalonians 2:19  
(ESV)*



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THE GOOD OF  
THE CHURCH  
AND THE GLORY  
OF GOD**

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## Every Christian has a gift from God.

*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 4:10-11 (ESV)*

*Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. 1 Corinthians 12:7 (NIV)*

## Why use my gift when life is already busy?

### Serving others brings the experience of God's power.

*Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. 1 Corinthians 12:4-6*

*All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills. 1 Corinthians 12:11*

### Serving others is the pathway to greatness.

*It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Matthew 20:26-28 (ESV)*