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A basic belief in our culture is that happiness will come through the avenue of self-gratification. So we want our jobs, our families, other people in our lives, even our God to serve that need. Yet, the reality is that we are still mostly unhappy. Jesus says we remain unhappy because we have things backwards. Those who are happiest are not those who have, but those who give, not those who are served, but those who serve.

"But among you it will be different. Those who are the greatest among you should take the lowest rank, and the leader should be like a servant." Luke 22:26

SERVANT: One who lays aside his or her rights and uses his or her resources to meet the needs of others.

"For I am among you as one who serves." Luke 22:27

"He gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being." Philippians 2:7

Becoming a Servant

1. You need to be **free** to be a servant.

"For you have been called to freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love." Galatians 5:13

2. You need to be **grateful** to be a servant.

"One of them, when he saw that he was healed, came back to Jesus, shouting, 'Praise God!' Then he fell on the ground at Jesus' feet, thanking him for what he had done." Luke 17:15, 16

3. You need to **give up control** to be a servant.

"Does the servant get special thanks for doing what's expected of him? It's the same with you. When you've done everything expected of you, be matter-of-fact and say, 'The work is done. What we were told to do, we did.'" Luke 17:9, 10 (The Message)

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