

Shaped to Serve God

RePurpose – Part 5

(Colossians 1:16)

“For we are God’s masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.”
Ephesians 2:10 (NLT)

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others...” 1 Peter 4:10 (NIV)

My 4th purpose is to serve God by serving others.

How to Serve Best

“Your attitude must be like my own, for I did not come to be served, but to serve...” Matthew 20:28 (TLB)

1) Be available

“Two blind men were sitting beside the road... They began shouting, ‘Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!’... When Jesus heard them, he stopped and called, ‘What do you want me to do for you?’” Matthew 20:30-32 (NLT)

“If you can help your neighbor now, don’t say, ‘Come back tomorrow, and then I’ll help you.’” Proverbs 3:28 (NLT)

Barriers: Self-centeredness (Phil.2:4) Self-doubt (2 Cor.4:7)

2) Be grateful

“Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here...” John 11:41-42 (NIV)

“I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who gave me strength, because he trusted me and gave me this work of serving him.”
1 Timothy 1:12 (NCV)

Barriers: Comparing Wrong motives
 (1 Cor. 12:18) (Matt. 6:1)

3) Be faithful

“I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do.” John 17:4 (NIV)

Help: Realize the impact Remember the reward
 (1 Cor. 15:58) (Matt. 25:21)