

Christ Calls Us To Be: “SERVANTS”

Lesson Text: **Philippians 2:5-12.**

I. Who Is A Servant?

- *doulos* (δοῦλος, 1401), from *deo*, “to bind,” “a slave,” originally the lowest term in the scale of servitude, came also to mean “one who gives himself up to the will of another,” (Vine’s Complete Expository Dictionary of Old and New Testament Words (Vol. 2, p. 73).
 - We Are All Called To Be Servants/Slaves Of The Lord- **Galatians 5:13.**
 - A Servant Does The Will Of His Master- **Luke 12:47.**
 - We Cannot Escape Being A Servant— Either Serving God Or Satan- **Romans 6:16-18.**
 - What Words Come To mind With Servant?
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- Being A Good Or Bad Servant Is Rooted In One’s Character And Attitudes.

II. We Should Serve— As Jesus Served.

- Jesus Was The Perfect Example Of God’s Servant— Perfect Character & Attitudes.
 - Why Paul Said, “*Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus,*” (Philippians 2:5).
 - **1 Corinthians 11:1; Luke 6:40.**
- Jesus Had The Right Attitude Toward The Work Given Him.
 - **Luke 2:49; John 8:29; John 9:4; John 12:49-50.**
- Jesus Was Devoted To The Work Of God- **Matthew 6:33; John 4:34.**
- Jesus Was Motivated By Love For All- **John 15:10; 15:13.**
- Jesus Served Others Without Partiality- **Matthew 22:15-16; Ephesians 6:9.**
- Jesus Was Selfless & Humble In Doing The Father’s Will- **John 6:38; 13:2-17.**
- Jesus Fully Carried Out The Work Zealously.
 - How Jesus Carried Out The Work- **John 17:4; 19:30.**
 - Zealously- **John 21:25.**
- Jesus Was The Faithful Servant Of God- **Hebrews 3:1-2.**

III. Learning To Be The Right Kind Of Servant Is Not Easy.

- We Have To Cast Off The Thinking Of This World.
- We Must Deny Selfishness and Worldly Ambition.
 - Jesus’ Disciples Had To Be Taught This- **Mark 9:33-36; Matthew 18:2-4; 20:25-28.**
- We Must Put Away Hate, Partiality, And Prejudice- **Ephesians 4:31.**
 - **2 Timothy 2:24.**
 - Must Serve With Love- **1 Corinthians 13:1-3.**
- We Must Fight Laziness, Apathy, And Distractions In Our Lives-
 - **Matthew 25:26; Romans 12:11; Luke 8:14-15.** Which Will We Be?
- We Must Not Deny Him Or Leave The Work— But Be Faithful Servants.
 - **Matthew 25:21; 23.**