



Metrics Measurements that Matter

Humble Service

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John 13:12-17

¹² When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. ¹³ "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. ¹⁴ Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. ¹⁶ Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷ Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them."

Why would you want to grow in [humble service](#)?

- It makes the world a better place
- It shows the presence and heart of Jesus
- It is the call of Jesus to serve as He has served us
- It creates a culture that is sustainable and better for everyone
- We are all where we are because others lifted us on their shoulders, served us, and put themselves second
- We just might discover one of the reasons God placed us on this planet!

Mark 10:42-45

⁴² Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

What are ways we can measure if we are growing **hearts** and **lives** that reflect the humble service of our **Savior**?

- The condition of my heart...that I care about others (compassion)
- We find ourselves serving naturally and not under compulsion
- Our acts of selfless service feel like they are part of our normal day (We feel strange if we have not served).
- People often ask for our help because they know we find delight in serving others
- We see kingdom fruit growing because of our lives... God is touching people through us!
- We become aware of the needs around us and discover that there are times we care about others more than we care about ourselves

1 Peter 4:10-11

¹⁰ Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. ¹¹ If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

Colossians 3:23-24

²³ Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, ²⁴ since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

Where and **When**: Ways that you and I can take steps forward into a lifestyle of service that **looks** like **Jesus** and shows His presence to the **world**

- We engage in some kind of ministry or service (in the body of Christ). This has powerful and transformative power.
- We plan and schedule space for service (not just once a year or every couple of years) but on a regular basis.
- We celebrate and recognize the faithful service of others.

- We are serious about discovering, developing, and deploying our spiritual gifts.
- We make a conscious decision to serve the people in our home consistently and joyfully.

How: Practical ways you can take a next step in spiritual maturity through [serving for](#) Jesus and [like](#) Jesus.

- Making specific acts of service part of your normal week... at Shoreline Church
- Making acts of service part of who you are at home...asking others what they don't like doing! "How can I serve you?"
- Surprising daily ten-minute mission trips
- Experiment and try new ways to serve (contact our Community Outreach ministry)
- Determine what "Foot Washing" looks like in different settings God sends you...and do it!
- Take a Spiritual Gifts Class, do the gifts survey, and meet with a church leader

Who: Who you will [become](#) and the impact you can have if you [learn](#) to [serve](#) like Jesus

- You will be seen as a gracious and caring person (because that is who you will become).
- People will ask the profound theological question, "WHY?" (When this happens, you can point to Jesus!)
- People will see Jesus alive in our world today...through you.
- Lives will be healed, helped, and humanized!
- You will find joy in deep and real human connection.