

## Message Summary

God didn't design you to be a spiritual consumer but a **contributor**. Move from the box seats or the bench to boldly holding a towel, serving others as Jesus did.

## Key Scriptures

*God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.*

1 Peter 4:10 (NLT)

*<sup>35</sup> Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do for us whatever we ask."*

*<sup>36</sup> "What do you want me to do for you?" he asked.*

*<sup>37</sup> They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory."*

Mark 10:35-37 (NIV)

*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.*  
Mark 10:45 (NIV)

*In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: It is more blessed to give than to receive.*

Acts 20:35 (NIV)

## Start Talking

*Find a conversation starter for your group.*

- What's the best seat you've ever had at a game or concert, and what made it so memorable?
- Watch this week's Sermon Refresh: [Here](#) (Available Mondays)

## Start Thinking

*Ask a question to get your group thinking.*

- Please read the Key Scriptures on the left.
- Why does the Bible link true greatness with serving others, and how should that shape how we use the gifts God has given us?

## Start Sharing

*Choose a question(s) to create openness.*

- When have you felt most fulfilled by serving someone else?
- How can we, as a group, create more opportunities to serve others in our church or community?
- What's one specific way you can step out of your comfort zone to serve this week?

## Start Praying

*Lord, thank You for giving each of us gifts to serve others. Help us move from being consumers to contributors, using what You've given us to make a difference in Your Kingdom.*

## Start Doing

This week, look for one way to serve someone at home, work, or in your community. If you're not yet serving at CCV, stop by the Next Steps Center at your campus or visit [ccv.church/serve](http://ccv.church/serve) to explore opportunities and find your fit.

