

**SO WHAT**

- Read 1 Peter 4:10. Do you believe that God has equipped us to serve others? In what way is this true? Why are spiritual gifts a lot useful than titles in equipping us to serve others?
- In 2 Samuel 15:1-4, what did Absalom say that he needed in order for him to serve the people? Comment on this situation.
- Read Galatians 5:13. What did Paul ask us to do instead of pursuing sinful activities?

**NOW WHAT**

- What do you believe as your strengths, which you can use to serve others? Also, ask friends and relatives about this for confirmation. How will you use these to serve?
- Take time to thank the volunteers in your church this coming weekend. What can you do to encourage them to continue serving God?
- Look for an opportunity to serve this week, whether in your church, office, or school.

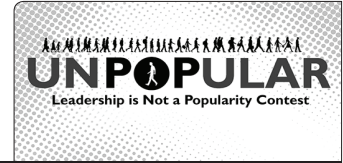
**PRAYER**

- Ask God to give us the grace to believe that a title is not necessary in order for us to become capable to serve others.
- Pray that we will be motivated to serve others now just vas we are.
- Intercede for the Lord to help us see the many different opportunities to serve.



**WEEK 1**

**Service**



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**CONNECT**

- What do you want to be known for? Why?
- What do you consider as your biggest sacrifice so far?  
Explain briefly.
- What is one thing in your bucket list that you want to do as soon as possible? Why?

**WORD**

<sup>5</sup>Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: <sup>6</sup>Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. PHILIPPIANS 2:5-7

**WHAT**

Jesus set an example for us in proving that there is no hindrance big enough to stop us from serving. There will always be a reason why we cannot serve others. But with God’s help we can live out our willingness to serve. What should be our attitude towards serving?

**1 Be willing to serve despite having a title or position.**

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The weight of importance of titles and positions are dependent on an individual’s perception. Yet because of sinful nature, we tend to magnify one’s worth as soon as we are given these distinctions. Many times this attitude leads to a refusal to serve others. Jesus modeled for us how it is to serve despite having a position. How can you follow His example?

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**2 Be ready to serve even without a title or position.**

*Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, “Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.”* MARK 9:35

While titles and positions could limit a person from serving because of pride, others tend to react the opposite way. Many would refuse to serve because of the absence of a title and some would wait to gain a title before serving. But then again, we could serve even if we have no title or position. Why is our ability to serve not dependent on a title or position?

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**3 Just do it.**

*. . . not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.* PHILIPPIANS 2:4

The best way to show willingness is to take action. This is because what is true in the heart is seen by our actions. The Lord Jesus actually came to serve us and He also tells us in His Word to do the same. In what practical way can we follow what Jesus says? Where can we start serving?

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