

# IMPACT

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## Daily Devotional for THE IMPACT OF SERVING

Here is a Daily Devotional to enable you to make the most out of this sermon. You may use it for your personal growth or discuss it together with Christian friends.

**October| 10**  
**The Call to Serve.**

### READ OUT LOUD

*Matthew 25:21 "The master was full of praise. 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together!'"*

- What stood out to you the most in the sermon preached last weekend? How will what you heard influence the way you live from now?
- Pastor Whitcomb said, "At the end of life, what matters is not the ROLE we played, but the SERVICE we gave." What does this statement mean to you? Are you focused more on a position and a title than on serving? How can you keep your focus on serving and not on your position or title?

**FAITH DECLARATION:** "I am a faithful servant of the Lord. I offer my talents and gifts with a joyful heart in His kingdom. My service to people makes my Father glad. I will celebrate together with Him one day."

**PRAYER OF FAITH:** "Father, I thank You for the opportunity to offer myself in service to others. Give me the grace to become completely devoted to this call as You increase my capacity to serve. Help me serve others with love and joy in my heart and the expression of Your goodness on my face. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

October| 11  
The Principle of  
Serving.

READ OUT LOUD

*Mark 10:45 "For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give His life as a ransom for many."*

- Last weekend, Pastor Whitcomb said, "If you want the results of God's Kingdom, you have to obey the principles of God's Kingdom." What does this statement mean to you?
- Jesus showed us that one of the principles of God's Kingdom is to serve. He showed this in the parables He told and the acts of service He performed – like washing the feet of all His disciples. Is this principle of serving still relevant today? What will you do today to live out this principle?

**FAITH DECLARATION:** "I am a child of God and a disciple of Jesus. Just as Jesus came to serve and not to be served, I pledge to offer myself to serve many and bring glory to my Father."

**PRAYER OF FAITH:** "Dear Jesus, make me more like You! Remove from my heart all pride and the desire to have others serve me. Please touch my heart and give me the spirit of humility to serve the people around me like You did. Amen."

October| 12  
Seeds and Fruits.

READ OUT LOUD

*Galatians 6:9 "Let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."*

- Last weekend, Pastor Whitcomb taught, "The fruit in your future exists in the seeds of your faithfulness today." What does this statement mean to you?
- When a seed falls to the soil, it begins to germinate. In germination, part of the seed grows downward and becomes the root. The other part grows upwards and becomes the shoot – the visible part. Remember this when your service seems hidden and unrecognized. As you serve, your roots are growing deeper. In God's time, your shoot will grow upwards and be visible to all.

**FAITH DECLARATION:** "God sees my service to Him and to others and He will reward me. As I serve, my roots are growing deeper so that my life can become more fruitful for His Kingdom. I will never give up! My harvest is coming."

**PRAYER OF FAITH:** "Dear God, renew my strength as I faithfully serve You and others. Grant me grace to continue serving You even when my service seems unrecognized and unappreciated. Thank you that You see all my service and You will reward me! In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

**October| 13**  
**Little Beginnings.**

**READ OUT LOUD**

*Zechariah 4:10 "Do not despise these small beginnings, for the Lord rejoices to see the work begin."*

• Pastor Whitcomb said, "Destiny is not a drive-through. You don't get to your harvest without growth." What does this statement mean to you?

• It is easy to despise little acts of kindness because we have been programmed to recognize big, flashy gestures. But the Scriptures tell us this: "He who is faithful in a little thing is faithful in much." The little gestures of service are preparing you for greater opportunities to serve. Don't despise the little service you render. How can you offer little services to your neighbor, friend, or family today?

**FAITH DECLARATION:** "My God delights in the small beginnings of things. He is going to turn my seemingly insignificant acts of faith into giant blessings. My little acts of service are enormous in my Father's Kingdom."

**PRAYER OF FAITH:** "Heavenly Father, help me remain faithful in my serving right now where You have placed me. Help me stop unnecessary comparisons and focus on the tasks You have given to me to build my character. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

**October| 14**  
**Your Motive.**

**READ OUT LOUD**

*1 Corinthians 12:7  
"Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good."*

• What should motivate you for your service to God and others? What are some wrong motives and what are some right motives in serving others?

• God instructs us to be fruitful and multiply. But you cannot be fruitful while you let your fruits waste away; they are to be enjoyed by others. Every gift and talent you have should be shared with others. What can you share with your neighbor today? How can you serve?

**FAITH DECLARATION:** "The Holy Spirit is manifesting in me as I serve. My service is a blessing to others! I am pursuing the will of my Father in Heaven. I am committed to the responsibilities He has for me. I will remain faithful in every assignment He gives me. He will honor me when the time is right."

**PRAYER OF FAITH:** "Dear God, pour out Your Spirit upon my life in new and greater ways! Use me mightily to bless everyone I meet as I use my gifts to serve others today, in Jesus' name. Amen."

October| 15  
Your Purpose is Service.

**READ OUT LOUD**

*1 Peter 4:10 "God has given each of you a gift from His great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another."*

- Pastor Whitcomb said, "Every one of us has a purpose." What does this statement mean to you? How does service fit into your purpose in life?
- Everyone has a purpose – everyone has a role to play. As good deeds shine for all to see, God receives glory. This is service to God.

**FAITH DECLARATION:** "My gifts and talents are blessings from God to me. I will share these blessings with the world for God's name to be glorified and His Kingdom magnified."

**PRAYER OF FAITH:** "Dear Lord, thank You for the gifts and talents You have given to me. Help me perfect these gifts and talents as I serve others with them and draw men to You. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

October| 16  
Impact – Reflections

**READ OUT LOUD**

*Matthew 5:16 "Let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father."*

- Last weekend, Pastor Whitcomb said, "Simple acts done in great love lead to significance." What does this statement mean to you?
- Can you think of a small act of kindness someone rendered toward you that had an impact on your life? Share the story with your Christian friend. Also, share a good deed you performed recently that had a lot of impact on the beneficiary. Encourage yourselves to do more for God's kingdom and for His praise.

**FAITH DECLARATION:** "My Father in Heaven is glorified because of my obedience to Him as I serve. My good deeds are shining abroad to draw more men to Christ."

**PRAYER OF FAITH:** "Almighty Father, please give me the zeal to continue in serving You and others even when it gets tough. Give me a large heart to accommodate more people as I serve for Your glory. May my service to man have large impacts in this world and in Your kingdom. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

