

# Kingdom Principles

Part 12: The Joy of Service | Text: Matthew 20:24-28

**John 4:37, 38 | Matthew 20:24-28 | Philippians 2:6-8**

**Christ becomes our \_\_\_\_\_ of what servanthood actually looks like.**

Matthew 25:35 | Hebrews 10:24

1 Timothy 6:18 (NLT) Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and should give generously to those in need, always being ready to share with others whatever God has given them.

**Luke 12:16-21**

**There is a danger of not \_\_\_\_\_ why I have been given talent and treasure. It is to glorify the Lord and not to bring attention to me!**

1 Timothy 6:17 | Luke 12:48 | Proverbs 24:1

1 Chronicles 29:14 (NLT) But who am I, and who are my people, that we could give anything to you? Everything we have has come from you, and we give you only what you have already given us!

Romans 14:12 (NLT) Yes, each of us will have to give a personal account to God.

**Romans 12:3-8**

**God gifts all of us differently, so that each of us can do our part. The entire job is accomplished by many, and we all get to experience the joy of the Lord.**

Prophecy: Edify, exhort, predict, and correct

Serving: Deacon, service, minister, carry out instructions

Teaching: Instruction and clarity

Exhortation: Encourage, entreat, comfort, and bring instruction

Giving: Liberal givers and no pride

Leadership: Superintendent, CEO, organizer, preside, and protector

Mercy: Charity worker, sympathetic, and compassionate

**Acts 6:6, 7**

**When we all get into right order, the Lord is able to \_\_\_\_\_ and bring the increase we desire.**

**Communion:**

1 Corinthians 12:12, 13 (NIV) The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. (13) For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body--whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free--and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

**Discussion Questions for D12**

1. Have everyone talk about the joy and challenge of serving.
2. Discuss Luke 12:16-21 and draw personal applications.
3. Have each member talk about their gift using Romans 12:3-8 as a template.
4. Where does each think their gift would fit in the body of Christ?

**Prayer Focus**

Agree that we all start giving our talents away so that the Lord will be glorified.