



WORKSHEETS

Use these worksheets in conjunction with the videos and discussion guide in the small group kit for Serve by Steve Robinson.

"Our call is to serve God, his church and his world." Read the acts of service listed in the chart below and list out the ways that you and your church emphasise (or de-emphasise) each category. In the circles provided, rank each act of service in terms of most (1) to least (5) emphasised by yourself or your church.

I Value... 1. Preaching 2. Prayers 3. Giving 4. Time 5. (Write Your Own) My Church Values... 1. Preaching 2. Prayers 3. Giving 4. Time 5. (Write Your Own)

Read Mark 10:35-45. James and John had some misguided "whys" when it came to serving others. If we're being honest, we often do, too. What are some misguided "whys" you've noticed in your own life?

My Misguided 'Whys'	My Transformed 'Whys'

After reflecting on Jesus's own character and the fruits of the Spirit listed in Galatians 5:22-23, list ways that you could replace your negative "whys" with more Christ-like ones.

Love • Joy • Peace • Patience • Kindness • Goodness • Faithfulness • Gentleness • Self-Control		

Steve lists several common thoughts about serving on page 52. In the chart below, list out a few negative thoughts that you experience in your own service (you can take these from p 52 or come up with your own). Why do you feel this way?

My Negative Thoughts	Why I Think This Way	Ways I Can Bring This Thought to Jesus
Example: No one notices what I do for this place.	Example: I mostly work in the background. I don't often receive praise or feedback.	Example: I can tell God about my feelings and thank him for being in control of my situation. I'll study the Word for examples in Jesus's life where he was unappreciated to see how he responded.

Pray about the thoughts and feelings you listed above. Is there anyone at your church you can speak to about these things? How does Christ's heart and example affect your own thoughts and feelings?

How has, and how is, God shaping and preparing me for service to him and the church?" (p 62). In the first box below, list a few ways that you have seen God work in your past to prepare you for service now. In the next box, list ways that you are seeing God shape you in the present day.

Past Present

How has God shaped me?	How is God shaping me?
What acts of service has this helped me to do?	What acts of service is this helping me to do in the future?

Read the list of gifts that God gives his people on pages 74-75. Select 2 gifts that your church is great at celebrating and fostering, and 2 that you think might be undervalued. Why do you think your church values or undervalues each? How could your church better celebrate the gifts you think it is neglecting?

Celebrated Gift:		
Why This Gift Is Celebrated		
How to Better Value This Gift		
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Undervalued Gift: Why This Gift Is Neglected How to Better Value This Gift Undervalued Gift:

Why This Gift Is Neglected

How to Better Value This Gift

In what ways do you serve in your own strength, rather than in God's? In the first column below, write out a few ways you tend to serve in your own strength. In the second column, list ways you can give those tendencies to God.

In My Strength

In God's Strength

Example: I get really disappointed when people don't speak up in my small group. To keep that from happening, I spend most of group time trying to come up with the right things to say.	Example: When the group is quiet, I can just pray, rather than try to fill the silence.