

The Passionate Disciple Part 2 - 'Going Deeper into the Disciplines for Ordinary Disciples'

Serve and Live, or Shivel up : The Practice of Servanthood

Questions

- What really impacted you out of this sermon?
- What did God impress on you?
- How did your view of God change?

• How did this statement David made, help you?
Spiritual disciplines shut the door on all the noise and furore around us so we can recognize that God is very near and we can again see Him for who He is...

- Jesus came as a servant because He is God and God is a servant... God invites us to serve with the Trinity

What difference does that make for you as you serve?

- Pride is a major drama for us as Christians. Specifically how have you seen pride in evidence in your life this week?
- How does our society affirm and even encourage pride?
- Discuss how this quote is personally relevant for you.

Richard Foster (Celebration of Discipline) writes; 'More than any other way the grace of humility is worked into our lives through the discipline of service...Nothing disciplines the desires of the flesh like service, and nothing transforms the desires of the flesh like serving in hiddenness.'

The flesh whines against service but screams against hidden service. It strains and pulls for honour and recognition'

- How can service, and specifically hidden service, help us to humble ourselves.
- What else has helped you to humble yourself and serve people?
- What would be your response if someone asked you why you put yourself out and served people?
- What affect does this verse have on you and your service?

Philemon 6 I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ

- How were you helped by the picture of 'church being a dance school' and your spiritual discipline of service being compared to dancing?
- What actions will change for you because of what God has spoken to you out of this sermon?