



WHY ARE YOU HERE? | WEEK 1

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Why are you here?

70% of people who regularly attend Emmanuel Church do not serve in any capacity.

How did we get here?

We became \_\_\_\_\_  
who practice \_\_\_\_\_.

*"In other words, 65 percent say they are committed to Jesus, but most of them aren't committed to Jesus in every area of their life. And Jesus never left open the option of **selective commitment**. There are no **exception clauses**. You don't get to say, 'I follow Jesus - but when it comes to this area of my life, I do things my way.'" - Kyle Idleman*

If we don't change this way of thinking, God will slowly fade into the background and become "\_\_\_\_\_".

How can we change our thinking to make sure this doesn't continue?

*"And so, my fellow Americans: ask not what your country can do for you—ask **what you can do** for your country." - President John F. Kennedy*

*"...let us go forth to lead the land we love, asking His blessing and His help, but knowing that here on earth **God's work must truly be our own**."*  
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How do we do that?

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Grab a towel.

"So he got up from the table, took off his robe, wrapped a towel around his waist, and poured water into a basin. Then he began to **wash the disciples' feet**, drying them with the towel he had around him."  
*John 13:4-5*

"And since I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash each other's feet. **I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you.**" *John 13:14-15*

"Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your **servant**, and whoever wants to be first among you must be the **slave of everyone else**. 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**." *Mark 10:43-45*

Focus on \_\_\_\_\_.

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

What can you do that blesses others?

What can you do until you discover your gift?

Focus on \_\_\_\_\_.

Do you have the gift of speaking? Then speak as though God himself were speaking through you. Do you have the gift of helping others? Do it with all the **strength** and **energy** that **God supplies**. Then everything you do will bring glory to God through Jesus Christ. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen. *1 Peter 4:11*

"Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord **enthusiastically**."  
*Romans 12:11*

Will you follow the example of Christ?

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