

Servants of All

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"And He (Jesus) came to Capernaum; and when in the house He asked them (His disciples), 'What was it that you disputed among yourselves on the way?' But they held their peace; for on the way they had disputed among themselves, who should be the greatest. And He sat down, and called the twelve, and said unto them, 'If any man desires to be first, **the same shall be last of all, and Servant of all.**' And He took a child, and set him in the midst of them; and when He had taken him (the child) in His arms, He said unto them, 'Whoever shall receive one of such children in My Name, receives Me; and whoever shall receive Me, receives not Me, but **Him (the Father) who sent Me.**' ([Mark 9:33-35-37](#))

"But Jesus called them (His disciples) to Himself, and said unto them, 'You know that those who are accounted to be rulers over the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever will be great among you, shall be your Servant; and whoever of you will be the foremost, shall be Slave of all. For even the **Son of Man** came not to be served unto, but to serve, and to **give His life A Ransom for many.**' ([Mark 10:42-45](#))

Servant: from the Greek word ***diakonos*** which means: a servant; a minister; a deacon, an attendant. In context: the disciples (believers) of Christ Jesus are called and instructed, by Jesus, to be servants of all: of everyone within the body of Christ; and in many situations with unbelievers: "And whosoever shall force you to go a mile, go with him two" (Jesus in [Mt. 5:41](#)).

Slave: from the Greek word ***doulos*** which means: a slave; a bond-servant; someone who belongs to another without any ownership rights of their own, usually involuntarily, but sometimes voluntarily: as in believers in Christ Jesus who now chose to freely belong to Him as being their Lord and Master! (Jesus Himself gave the example: [John 13:1-16-17](#))

Last: from the Greek word ***eschatos*** which means: last; In context: humbly choosing to be last in importance, or last in self-greatness, or last in line; or last in ... etc.

of All: from the Greek word ***panton*** which means: of-all; or everyone; In context: everyone within our sphere and opportunity of loving-kindness.

First and Foremost: we are Servants of God: the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Please consider the following:

"I thank **God, whom I Serve** from my forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of you in my prayers night and day." ([2 Timothy 1:3](#))

"For they themselves show of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how you turned to God from idols **to Serve the living and true God.**" ([1 Thessalonians 1:9](#))

"How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the Eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works **to Serve the living God?**" ([Hebrews 9:14](#))

"Be wise now therefore, O you kings; be instructed, you judges of the earth. **Serve the LORD with fear**, and rejoice with trembling." ([Psalms 2:10-11](#))

"Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all you lands. **Serve the LORD with gladness**; come before His presence with singing. Know you that the LORD He is God; it is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; **we are His people**, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and bless His Name. For the LORD is good; **His mercy is Everlasting.**" ([Psalms 100:1-5](#))

Secondly, we serve all; even everyone else:

“And **the servant of the Lord** must not quarrel; but be gentle unto all men, able to teach, patient, in meekness correcting those who oppose; if God perhaps will give them repentance to the acknowledging of **the truth**; and that they may come to their senses escaping the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him into his will.” ([2 Timothy 2:24-26](#))

"For, brethren, you have been called unto liberty (freedom); only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, **but through love Serve one another**. For all the Law is fulfilled in one saying, is even in this" '**You shall love your neighbor as yourself**' ([Leviticus 19:18](#)). But if you bite and devour one another, take heed that you be not consumed by one-another. This I say then: **walk (serve) in the Spirit**, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh." ([Galatians 5:13-16](#))

Attributes of Servanthood:

"See that you refuse not Him who speaks. For if those who refused Him who spoke on earth did not escaped, much more shall we not escape, if we turn away from Him who speaks from Heaven; whose voice shook the earth back-then; but now He has promised, saying, '*Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven*' ([Haggai 2:6](#)). And this word, '*Yet once more,*' signifies the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, so that those things which cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a Kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, by which **we may Serve God** acceptably **with reverence and godly fear**." ([Hebrews 12:25-29](#))

"I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, that your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world. For God is my witness, whom I Serve with my spirit in the Good-News (gospel) of **His Son**, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers." ([Romans 1:9-10](#))

"... That He would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies **might Serve Him without fear**, In Holiness and Righteousness before Him, all the days of our life" ([Luke 1:74-75](#))

"I have showed you all things, how that **so laboring (serving)** you ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive." ([Acts 20:35](#))

"But that you also may know my affairs, and how I am doing; Tychicus, **a beloved brother and faithful Servant in the Lord**, shall make known to you all things." ([Ephesians 6:21](#))

"Epaphras, who is one of you, **a Servant of Christ**, salutes you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that you may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God. For I bear him record, that he has **a great zeal for you!**" ([Colossians 4:12-13](#))

Warnings and exhortations about Servanthood:

"Now it came to pass, as they went, that **He** entered into a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha **received Him (Jesus)** into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, **who also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard His word**. But Martha was encumbered with much service, and came to Him, and said, 'Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore, bid her that she help me. And Jesus answered and said unto her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. But one thing is needful: **and Mary has chosen that good part**, which shall not be taken away from her.' " ([Luke 10:38-42](#))

"**Blessed are those slaves**, whom the master when **he comes** shall find **watching**; truly I say unto you, that He shall gird himself, and make them to recline (to be served a meal), and will come forth **and Serve them**." ([Luke 12:37](#))

"He who is faithful in that which is least, is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in the least is unjust also in much. Therefore, if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust **the true riches**? And if you have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own? **No man can serve two masters**; for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. **You cannot serve God and mammon**." (Luke 16:10-13)

"And there was also a dispute among them (the 12 apostles of Jesus), of whom of them should be accounted the greatest. And He (Jesus) said unto them, 'The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and those who exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. But you shall not be so. But he who is greatest among you, let him be as the youngest; and he who is chief, as he who does serve. For who is greater, he who sits at a meal, or he who serves? Is not he who sits at a meal? But I am among you **as He who serves**.'" (Luke 22:24-27)

"Slaves, obey in all things your masters (your human employers) according to the flesh; not with eye-service, as men-pleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God. And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; knowing that from the Lord you shall receive the reward of the inheritance: **for you serve the Lord Christ**.'" (Colossians 3:22-24)

"(For the kingdom of heaven) is like a man traveling unto a far-away country, who called his own **slaves**, and delivered unto them his goods. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his own ability; and straightway took his journey. Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them five more talents. And likewise he who had received two, he also gained other two. But he who had received one went and dug in the earth, and hid his lord's money. After a long time the lord of those slaves came, and reckoned with them. And so he who had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside those five more talents.' His lord said unto him, '**Well done, you good and faithful slave**: you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things: enter you into the joy of your lord.' He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered unto me two talents; behold, I have gained two more talents beside those.' His lord said unto him, '**Well done, good and faithful slave**; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things: enter you into the joy of your lord.' He also who had received one talent came and ..." (see Matthew 25:14-30)

Finally, please consider the following:

"So after **He (Jesus)** had washed their feet, and had put on His garments, and had reclined again, He said unto them, 'Do you know what I have done to you? You call **Me Teacher and Lord**: and you say well; **for so I am**. If I then, **your Lord and Teacher**, have washed your feet; you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that **you should do as I have done to you**. Truly, truly, I say unto you, 'The **slave** is not greater than his lord.' ' ' " (John 13:12-16)

We are to be Servants of All

**First serve the Living God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with reverent-fear and gladness !!
And whoever desires to be foremost, shall be Slave of all, and last of all !!
And through love Serve one another always and always !!**

And always remember, You cannot serve both God and mammon !

**Thank You Lord Jesus for being our Lord, and Master, and Teacher !
Greater Love has no one than You – who served us by laying down Your Life for us !**

All Praise, and Glory, and Honor is Yours forever and ever - Amen !!!