



Worship – Reach – Connect – Grow – **Serve**

SLE Church 2023

Recap/Objectives

Opening Discussion:

1. Think of all the ways people can serve at church, whether formal or informal, upfront or behind the scenes, obvious or obscure.

2. What has your experience of serving as a Christian been like in the past?
 - Think about how you felt, how you were asked, whether you were trained, why you were doing it, whether it helped or hindered your faith?

3. "All Christians should serve, no matter what." Do you agree or disagree? Why/why not?

Bible Readings: Romans 12:1–13; John 13:1–17

1. Why we serve

a. We exist as the body (Romans 12:1–5)

b. Our example is Jesus (John 13:12–17)

Discussion Questions:

1. “All Christians should serve, no matter what.” Would you change your answer from before?
2. What are some reasons for why you might encourage someone to serve? Or not to serve?

2. How we serve

- a. We serve as an expression of love (Romans 12:6–13)

Discussion Questions:

1. What are the right and wrong attitudes towards spiritual gifts and serving?

2. How might your attitude need to change and grow moving forward?

3. Serve, SLE Church, and You

Serve Survey (“Serve-vey”)

<https://sle.church/connectcourse/> and scroll down to the form.

Q&A

Suggested resource list:

- Zeal without Burnout – Christopher Ash
- Serving without Sinking – John Hindley
- 9Marks Deacons – Matt Smethurst