

LIFE LESSONS – Making It Live

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Lifestyles

What is your idea of a perfect lifestyle? A big house on your own Caribbean island with plenty of servants? Sunday afternoon watching football from your recliner? If you are honest, who are the people that you truly admire? Would they be those that have spent their lives in service to others? Can you share what you are doing in service to others? Jesus spent His entire ministry in service to others, including you. How might you be too busy with worldly pleasures to serve Him by serving others?

Niches

What percentage of our church members would you say are involved in some form of ministry? Would it be the national average of **27 %**? Discuss how we can be a part of that 27%. How do you go about finding the right niche” to serve in? If you visited the booths representing various ministry opportunities on Sunday, share what you learned. Have you ever gone to **ccc.org**, “Ministries Info” to find out about all those ministry areas? Discuss some possible ministry you might get involved with.

Real Issues

What do you think is the real issue to serving or not serving God? Is service to God a time issue? A talent issue? A maturity issue? Discuss: The real issue is the place of Jesus Christ in your life. Who is He? Is He first in your life? Is He your Savior? Is He your Lord? Do you follow His example? Can you share if people really have a reason for not being “in service”? Or how might it be just an excuse?

Leadership

What kind of leader do you think most people want to follow? Aggressive, strong, an in-charge type of personality? **Discuss** how many of these describe Jesus. He was (and is) all-powerful, but no one who met Him would use these words to describe Him. What words would you use to describe Jesus? How many of the same words would you use to describe yourself?

Slavery

How difficult it would be to live the life of a slave? How different would your life be? Yet Paul refers to himself as a slave to Christ and glad of it. What does that really mean? Does it mean to do anything? Go anywhere? How do you interpret “He is either Lord of all, or He is not Lord at all”? What is included in all? Our Savior spent His time on Earth in service to others. Share how we can follow His example by becoming involved in a new service to others this week.

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