

YOU ARE CALLED TO BLESS
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What On Earth Am I Here For?
Live Your Calling – Part 5
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My 4th purpose is: I am **SHAPED TO SERVE**

Ephesians 2:10 We are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to **do good works**, which **God prepared in advance for us to do**. (NIV)

My 4th calling is: To be a **SERVANT OF GOD**

Galatians 1:15 God in his grace **chose me** even before I was born, and **called me to serve him**. (TEV)

2 Timothy 1:9 It is he who **saved us** and **chose us for his holy work** not because we deserved it but because that was his plan long before the world began... (LB)

Romans 7:4c ...and now **you belong to him** who was raised from death in order that we might **be useful in the service of God**. (TEV)

What Happens When I Bless Others Through Service?

1. IT CREATES JOY IN MY LIFE

Two Secrets About Service

- Get the **FOCUS OFF YOURSELF**

Philippians 2:17 My **life is being poured out** as a part of the sacrifice and service I offer to God for your faith. Yet, I am **filled with joy**, and I share that joy with all of you. (GW)

Philippians 4:4-5a **Always be full of joy** in the Lord; I say it again, rejoice! Let everyone see that you are unselfish and considerate in all you do... (LB)

Philippians 2:4b ...**Forget yourself** long enough to **lend a helping hand**. (MSG)

- Use your gifts **TO HELP OTHERS**

1 Peter 4:10 Each of you has been **blessed** with one of God's many wonderful gifts to be used in the **service of others**. So use your gift well. (CEV)

Proverbs 22:9 **Blessed** are those who are **generous**... (NLT)

2. IT IMPROVES MY RELATIONSHIPS

Matthew 20:28 Your attitude must be like my own, for I the Messiah, did not come to be served, but to serve... (LB)

Romans 14:18 If you serve Christ in this way, you will please God and be respected by people. (CEV)

Proverbs 11:25 The one who blesses others is abundantly blessed; those who help others are helped. (MSG)

Proverbs 22:9 Blessed are those who are generous... (NLT)

3. IT LEAVES A LEGACY

Proverbs 10:7a Good people will be remembered as a blessing... (NCV)

Matthew 20:26 ...If you want to be great, you must be the servant of all the others. (CEV)

Hebrews 6:10 God is fair; he will not forget the work you did and the love you showed for him by helping his people. And he will remember that you are still helping them. (NCV)

John 12:26c ...My Father will honor anyone who serves me. (NCV)

4. IT MAKES MY LIFE MEANINGFUL

Mark 8:35b ...Only those who give away their lives for my sake and for the sake of the Good News will ever know what it means to really live. (LB)

1 Corinthians 15:58c Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your work in the Lord is never wasted. (NCV)

Colossians 3:4a Christ gives meaning to your life... (CEV)