

**NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
**NEW MEMBER CLASS SESSION #5**  
**SERVICE**

*At NLCC, service involves church and community ministries that demonstrate love for God and man.* The whole goal of a servant is not to please himself, but a servant is controlled by someone else. "To 'serve' Christ is to love Him, to give Him the supreme place in your heart and life, to devote all your powers and strength to do what He requires...." (Arthur Pink, [http://gracegems.org/Pink/christian\\_service.htm](http://gracegems.org/Pink/christian_service.htm)). We show that we love Christ by being obedient to him.

**I. Who do we serve?**

- A. The Christian is \_\_\_\_\_ servant since we are His \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Cor. 6:20).
- B. We serve \_\_\_\_\_. (Col. 1:7; Titus, James, 2 Pet., and Jude 1:1)

**II. Where do we serve?**

- A. In the \_\_\_\_\_. It begins with personal dedication to the Lord. We serve God with our daily walk.

"... present your bodies a living and holy \_\_\_\_\_, acceptable to God, which is your \_\_\_\_\_ of worship." (Rom. 12:1, NASB)

We can serve God by presenting our hands, feet, eyes, mouth, and mind to Him daily. Ask God, what would you have me to do or say today?

- B. In the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. The disciples of Christ were commanded to begin their first service in Jerusalem. Our love for God is proven in our love for others.
  - 1. Share what God has done for you with your family and friends!
  - 2. Serve in church ministries and out in the community.
  - 3. "Be \_\_\_\_\_ to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor; not lagging behind in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord," (Rom. 12:10-11, NASB)
- C. Abroad. "\_\_\_\_\_ therefore and make disciples of all the nations...." (Matt. 28:19,20 NASB).

### III. How we serve?

- A. With \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. (2 Tim. 2:24-25)
- B. With \_\_\_\_\_ motives. (Gal. 1:10)
- C. With \_\_\_\_\_. (Ps. 100:2)
- D. Through our \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

We all have different talents and interests, but we are to use them for God's glory. Spiritual gifts are given to benefit others and not ourselves. (I Cor. 12:7)

... Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to \_\_\_\_\_ them accordingly...." (Rom. 12:4-6a NASB)

#### **Examples of Spiritual Gifts Related to Service** (Rom. 12:4-8; Eph. 4:7-8, 11-12)

service	teaching	encouragement	giving	administration	apostle
mercy	healing	discernment	pastor	evangelism	

#### **Examples of Talents** (Ex. 31:1-11)

food service	ushering	drama	janitorial
praise dancing	construction/repair	secretarial	communications
technology skills	music/singing	community outreach	photography
child care	media a/v	teaching	

#### E. **Ten marks of true spiritual service: (John MacArthur)**

First: A _____ spirit	Second: A _____ spirit
Third: A _____ spirit	Fourth: A _____ spirit
Fifth: A _____ spirit	Sixth: A _____ spirit
Seventh: An _____ spirit	Eighth: A _____ spirit
Ninth: An _____ spirit	Tenth: An _____ spirit

#### F. **Give God Your Best!**

"Whatever you do, do your work \_\_\_\_\_, as for the Lord rather than for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve." (Col. 3:23-24 NASB; Eccl. 9:10)