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God Blesses Serving Together

Read Titus 3:1. The Church is to be ready to serve. God's desire is that every person be thoroughly influenced by Jesus and lovingly influence others for Jesus. Are you ready? Do you know your spiritual gifts so that you are ready for every good work?

Your primary commitment in ministry is where you are gifted, it fits your SHAPE. Your secondary commitment in ministry is to serve where we're needed. Are you serving in this way? I.e: primarily serving in your area of giftedness, stepping in where needed in a secondary capacity? Share experiences about how you feel serving in your areas of giftedness vs serving in areas which you were not gifted in.

Read Titus 3:8. We are called to insist on engagement in God's good works for it is excellent & profitable. God blesses as we serve:

- *He grows us spiritually (we become more like Jesus, He changes our hearts, frees us from self absorption)*
- *we experience soul fullness*
- *people are helped*
- *the Church is stronger*
- *the kingdom breaks in*
- *God our Father rewards His children in this life & in the new heaven*

How have you experienced these blessings in your life as you have served? Share examples from your life.



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Read Hebrews 10:24-25. We are to stir one another up to love and good deeds. We are called to motivate and challenge each other, spurring on one another for service. Are you actively encouraging those around you towards serving in ministry? Spend some time praying for one another. Focus on one another's gifts and areas of ministry.

Have you taken the next step? Have you discovered your SHAPE? Have you been seeking God in prayer & asking Him for opportunities? Have you committed to serve in ministry?