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- Serving is not dependent on ideal conditions—it's about **availability**.
- Serving trains our spiritual sensitivity.
- Serving is shaped by a **listening posture**, not just activity.
- Serving the right way = **faithfulness over comfort**
- Courage is part of serving.
- God entrusts more to those who serve faithfully in small beginnings.

The Progression of a Serving Leader

1. Serving in the background. Stay Low
2. Be available to be available. Stay Connected
3. Teachable through guidance. Stay Humble
4. Speaking with courage. Stay Wise and Grow Bold
5. Growing in faithfulness. Stay Rooted

MOVEMENT 1: WE DON'T SERVE TO EARN—WE SERVE BECAUSE WE'RE SAVED

Ephesians 2:8-10

8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

>> Serving is not pressure...It's overflow.

MOVEMENT 2: WE SERVE BECAUSE WE FOLLOW A SERVANT KING

Mark 10:45

45 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

>> You can't follow Jesus closely...and avoid serving people consistently.

MOVEMENT 3: SERVING IS OUR WITNESS

Matthew 5:16

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven

>> When you showed up for people...You weren't just meeting needs. You were revealing Jesus.

>>Don't just tell me about Jesus, but also, show me who He is.