

## ***What We're Made For: Service***

### *Various Texts*

#### ***Just like Jesus***

- Jesus came to serve (Phil 2:7; Mark 10:45)
- We are called to mimic His behavior (Mark 10:42-44; 1 John 2:6)

#### ***A Heart of Service***

- Paul referred to himself as a slave in Christ's service (Rom. 1:1; Phil. 1:1; Titus 1:1)
  - But a freed slave who serves out of gratitude & love (Rom 6:18, 22)
- Jesus frees us to serve out of selflessness (Rom 7:6; 1 Cor 9:19; Gal 5:13)
- Service is one of our highest honors (Matt 25:23)

#### ***How Do We Serve?***

- In the Church (1 Pet. 4:10-11)
- In our homes (Eph. 5:21)
  - Submit: In non-military use, it was "a voluntary attitude of giving in, cooperating, assuming responsibility, and carrying a burden".
    - Wives (Eph. 5:22-24)
    - Husbands (Eph. 5:25-33)
    - Children (Eph. 6:1-3)
    - Parents (Eph. 6:4)
- In our work (Eph 6:5-8)
- In our communities (Col. 4:5-6; Gal. 6:10; Matt. 25:35-40)

#### ***So What?***

- Are we growing as disciples of Jesus?
  - Letting God form us to look more like Jesus
- Are we encouraging others to do the same?

***Meditation Verse:*** Ephesians 6:7