



servicing in mission

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discussion guide

Gather a group of people (consider all ages) to watch the video and then to explore, discuss and consider some action steps that may follow.

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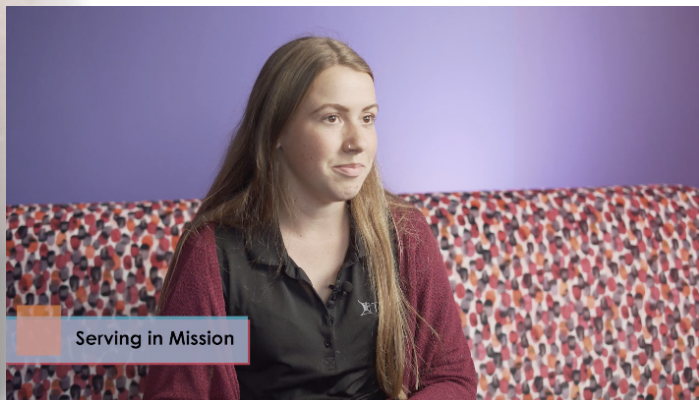
What does 'serving in mission' mean to you?

Jesus commanded us all 'as we go' to "make disciples..." (Matthew 28: 19-20). When any person has to give an account of the hope that is within them this causes their faith to grow deeper. This is true for all ages. As we respond to God's leading to serve overseas or in local communities we are all called in deed and in word to share God's love no matter what our age.

WATCH THE VIDEO

This is ONE example of ONE aspect of what 'serving in mission' could be. Spend some time exploring more of this topic and consider some of the opportunities around this final question,

❖ "What are you doing with your faith?"



DISCUSSION

Reflecting on the story.

- ❖ What stood out for you in this story? Why?
- ❖ Can you think of an example of 'serving in mission' with all ages (either your own or someone else's experience) that you could share?

DEEPER

Unpacking the building blocks listed on the video.

- Provide exposure to opportunities
- Look for the prompts from God
- See the mission opportunities around you
- Share your hope in Jesus
- All ages can be involved
- Do it together with others – involve all ages and their input

- Which building block in your opinion is the most important? Why?
- How and where is 'serving in mission' currently happening in your family, church and/or community?
- How can you intentionally use the building blocks in those situations?
- Does anything need to change about what you are doing?
- Can you think of new 'serving in mission' ideas you could explore with a mixed age group?

DISCOVER

Digging into stories in the Bible that reinforce these building blocks.

KEY VERSE

Ephesians 4:15 - 16 *"Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.*

READ

Colossians 4:2 - 6 and 1 Peter 3:15

- ❖ Why is prayer the important first step when looking at serving in mission?
- ❖ Share stories (if you have one) of praying for someone who was not yet a believer or what happened when you asked God to give you an opportunity to serve Him in mission.
- ❖ What building blocks can you identify in each of the three passages listed above?
- ❖ How do we apply Colossians 4:5 as we go to school, work, play, sport or as we are active in the community?

DECIDE

Make an intentional plan to implement something from this discussion

1 Provide exposure to opportunities

Where are the opportunities for all ages to be able to give out as well as take in as they continue to grow in their journey with Jesus?

2 Look for the prompts from God

Name the spaces before, during and after an activity where you are connecting with 'not yet believers' and can listen for prompting from God.

3 See the mission opportunities around you

What local opportunities to 'serve in mission' can you identify?

Start by asking God to show you.

4 Share your hope in Jesus

Prepare your story so that it is real, relevant and remembered.

5 All ages can be involved

Who could join you in prayer to ask God where and how you can serve Him in mission? Think of people who are a range of ages – from children to elderly.

HAVE A GO!

Check out the list of ideas at here2stay.org

DARE

Why don't you share your own "Serving in Mission" story. Film it and send it to us. If it is 3-5 minutes long ... we would love to share it with others.

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