

## **“SHAPED FOR SERVING GOD”** (40 Days of Purpose)

### Introduction:

1. Planned For God's Pleasure
2. Formed for God's Family
3. Created to Become Like Christ

Ephesians 2:10 (NIV) “We are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”

I Peter 4:10 (NIV) “Each of us should use whatever gift he has received to serve others.”

- The Bible calls “serving others” your \_\_\_\_\_.

Matthew 20:28 (NIV) “Jesus said, ‘Your attitude must be like My own, for I did not come to be served, but to serve...’”

### **THREE WAYS TO LEARN TO SERVE LIKE JESUS**

#### **1. SERVING LIKE JESUS MEANS BEING \_\_\_\_\_.**

Matthew 20:30-32 (NIV) “Two blind men shouted ‘Lord, have mercy on us!’ Jesus stopped and called them. ‘What do you want Me to do for you.’”

- Means a willingness to be \_\_\_\_\_.
- Three common barriers to serving:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

Philippians 2:4 (The Message) “Forget yourself long enough to lend a helping hand.”

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Ecclesiastes 11:4 (LB) “If you wait for perfect conditions, you will never get anything done.”

3. \_\_\_\_\_

Luke 16:13 (NIV) “No servant can serve two masters. You cannot serve both God and money.”

#### **2. SERVING LIKE JESUS MEANS BEING \_\_\_\_\_.**

John 11:41-42 (NIV) “Jesus looked up and said, ‘Father, I thank You that You have heard Me. I knew that You always hear Me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here...’”

- Jesus had an attitude of \_\_\_\_\_.

II Timothy 1:9 (LB) “It is He who saved us and chose us for His holy work not because we deserved it but because that was His plan...”

- Two things get in the way

1. C \_\_\_\_\_

2. C \_\_\_\_\_

**3. SERVING LIKE JESUS MEANS BEING \_\_\_\_\_.**

John 17:4 (NIV) "I have brought You glory on earth by completing the work You gave Me to do."

- Serve to completion means serving as long as \_\_\_\_\_

Hebrews 6:10 (LB) "He will not forget how hard you have worked for Him and how you have shown your love to Him by caring for other Christians."

Matthew 25:21 (NIV) "Well done, good and faithful servant!"