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Week Two | Serve One Another | 07.04-05.2020

Grow Deep Conversation Questions: Use these questions to help you process the message in your personal time of study or with your group. Time suggestions are based on a 90 minute group gathering.

Message Recap: We are all built to serve, some of us are just consumed with self-serving. But we are called to serve those around us in a way that will help them, even when it's not convenient, just as Jesus chose to serve us.

» Opening (2-3 minutes)

- Introductions - this is especially important if this is your first meeting and if there are new members
- Housekeeping - clarify expectations
 - **Announcements:** These are in your Community News email. **Please read and communicate! Encourage participation!**
 - Remind your group that this is a confidential meeting
 - **Remember there may be many thoughts and views. Please remain kind and respectful during conversations.**
- Pray - open your time together in prayer

» Introduction (12 minutes)

- Ice-Breaker: What are you most excited about opening back up?
- Digging Deeper: Take some time to explain why you have missed that particular place or experience.

» Observation | Read Romans 12:9-13; Galatians 5:13-15 (15 minutes)

- What are your initial reactions to these passages? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses? Why?

» Key Principle | Time to Open for Service. (15 minutes)

- How do you treat people whose opinion has no impact on you? What do you think contributes to the way you treat others?
- What prevents us from making serving others a lifestyle rather than a checkmark every now and then? What action can we take to shift from task to lifestyle?

» Love Serves | Reference Romans 12:9-13 (15 minutes)

- Paul highlights that the true marks of a Christian flow from love to service. What does your love for God normally challenge you to do in life?
- How could you change the way you serve fellow Christians this week if your goal was to 'outdo' one another in showing honor?
- Describe a time when someone served you in a way that you felt loved. Why was this meaningful to you?

» Freedom to Serve | Reference Galatians 5:13-15 (15 minutes)

- What was something you wanted but didn't end up needing?
- Sometimes it's easy to make excuses with the freedom we find in Jesus. What are your go to excuses to avoid serving others?
- How does the idea that 'loving one another fulfills the entire law' challenge how you think about following Jesus this week?

» Next Steps and Prayer | (15 minutes)

- What are some ways you can serve people in your neighborhood or community this week? Don't wait to be asked - just do it!
- Who is someone in your life that you have been avoiding because you know they need help? What do you need to do?
- Close by praying for each other to take some time this week to consider what it would be like to actually serve one another.