

SERVICE

HOW WE GROW: INVITATION FOR THE WEEK

This week, we want to encourage you to take some time to practice the discipline of service. Here are three ways that you could practice this discipline:

1. Every morning this week ask your spouse, a roommate, colleague, or friend, “What can I do for you today?” Then do it. Talk to God about what this is like for you. What do you learn about yourself and the needs of others?
2. In the context of your community (with your spouse, family, roommates, small group, or group of friends), pray together about a way that you could serve the city of Huntsville this week, and spend some time serving together. Our God is already at work in our city! How can you join Him? **You’ll find a list of potential service opportunities and ministries in our city for your reference on the back of this handout.**
3. In Matthew 6, Jesus teaches us about the motivations behind our service: “So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.” This week, choose to do something for or give something to someone anonymously. Allow the Spirit to help you discover who you should choose. As you talk to people, pay attention to any need they might mention. Plan a way of following through on your desire without letting them know where the help or gift came from. Process your experience with the Lord.

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SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

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Here are some examples of local service opportunities:

- University Christian Student Center
- 2820 Community Ministry
- Lakewood Church of Christ
- West Lawn Iglesia de Cristo
- Bags of Blessings
- Childhaven
- Shanon's House of Compassion
- Agape of North Alabama
- Boys and Girls Club - James A. Lane
- Manna House
- Kids to Love
- 205 8th Street
- Friends, Inc.
- Huntsville Learning Center
- CASA Gardens
- Downtown Rescue Mission
- Care for Hospitals and nursing home facilities