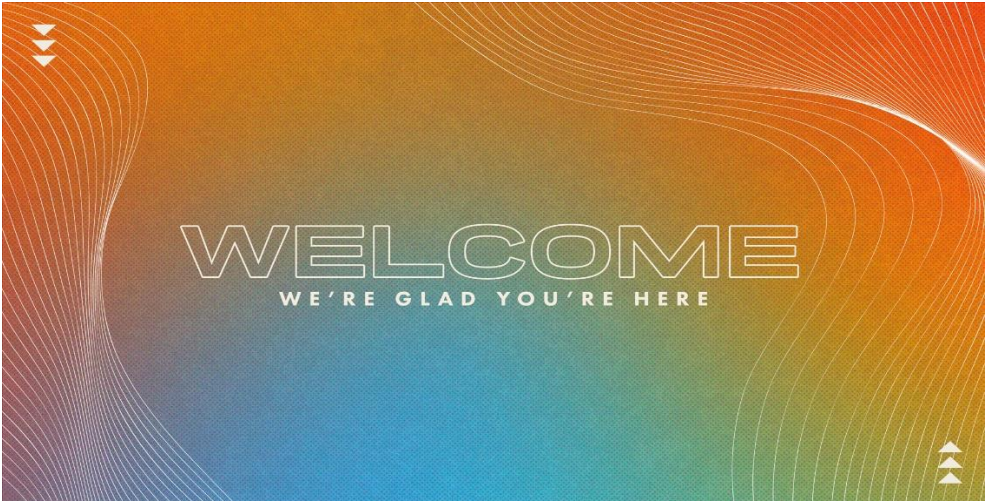
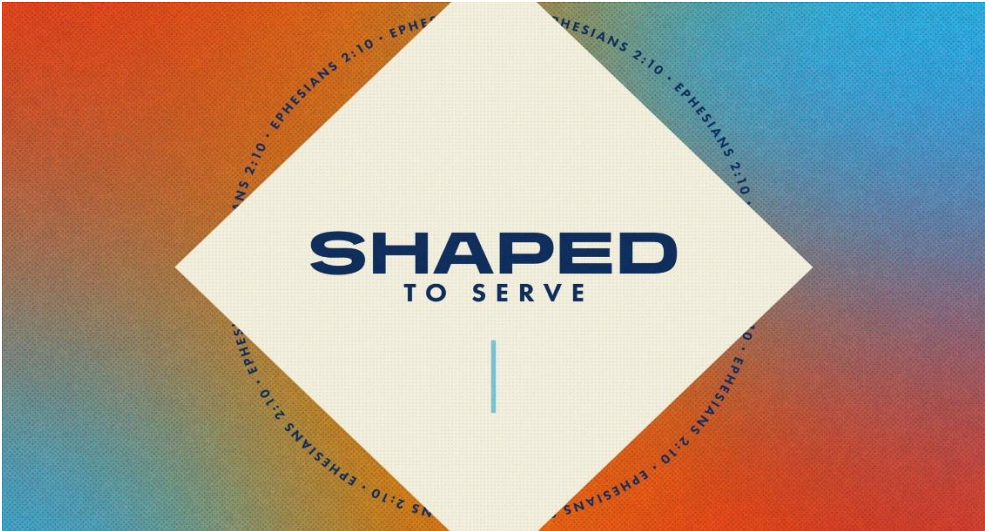


Discovery Service Order and Message Outline



WELCOME TO COWPLAIN CHURCH Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER Great things
Glory to God forever

PRAYER
SINGING TOGETHER Behold the lamb
UPDATES Assistant Pastor Chris
SINGING TOGETHER Hear the call of the kingdom
BIBLE READING John 13:1-17 (Church Bible page 1133)
MESSAGE Taught by Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER When I survey



Shaped to Serve ~3
How Jesus models serving.
John 13:1-17

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'" Matthew 22:37-39 NIV

1. Jesus _____.

'Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.'
Matthew 9:35-36 NIV

2. Jesus _____ about serving.

'And they began to argue among themselves as to who would be the greatest in the coming Kingdom. Jesus told them, "In this world the kings and great men order their people around, and yet they are called 'friends of the people.' But among you, those who are the greatest should take the lowest rank, and the leader should be like a servant. Normally the master sits at the table and is served by his servants. But not here! For I am your servant.'" Luke 22:24-26 NLT

3. Jesus used _____ to illustrate serving.

'Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him. Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him.'
Luke 10:33-34 NLT

'Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise.'" Luke 10:37 NIV

4. Jesus stated serving as His _____.



'For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give His life as a ransom for many.'

Mark 10:45 NLT

5. Jesus _____ service.

'Jesus knew that His hour had come to leave this world and return to His Father. He now showed the disciples the full extent of His love. So He got up from the table, took off His robe, wrapped a towel around His waist, and poured water into a basin. Then He began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel He had around Him... 'I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you.'

John 13:1,4-5,15 NLT

SERVING OTHERS IS DIFFICULT BECAUSE:

1. _____ selfish.

'Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.' Philippians 2:3-4 NIV

'I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love. When you obey me, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father and remain in his love. I have told you this so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow! I command you to love each other in the same way that I love you. And here is how to measure it—the greatest love is shown when people lay down their lives for their friends. You are my friends if you obey me.' John 15:9-14 NLT

2. I _____ for opportunities to serve.

'And if you give even a cup of cold water to one of the least of My followers, you will surely be rewarded.' Matthew 10:42

'If you try to keep your life for yourself, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for My sake and for the sake of the Good News, you will find true life.' Mark 8:35 NLT





SMALL GROUP SERMON DISCUSSION

1. Why is Me-Church so detrimental to both a church's growth and a person's individual growth?

2. Read Matthew 22:37-39. What are the two main things Jesus asks us to do and how do we actually do that today?

3. Look at what we learn from Jesus about serving.

- Read Matthew 9:35-36. What are some of the things Jesus did to serve others?
- Read Luke 22:24-26. How does Jesus describe himself?
- Read Luke 10:33-34, 37. What should our attitude be?
- Read Mark 10:45. How does Jesus move serving from the distant to the personal?
- Read John 13:1,4-5,15. Why does Jesus use this as his final model to the disciples?

In light of all your answers to the questions above, what is the overall picture do we get from Jesus about serving?

4. Read Philippians 2:3-4. How does this challenge our selfishness? What would it look like in our lives if we lived out what Paul says to do?

5. Why is love for Jesus quantified by obedience, unselfishness, and putting others before ourselves? See John 15:9-14.

6. Give some examples of what Jesus tells us to do in Matthew 10:42.

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