



Lives of Service

March 15 & 16

"I am among you as the one who serves."

Jesus' answer to His disciples about who is the greatest.

Reflections on Jesus' Service

Recount Jesus' many acts of service

Lord's Supper Irony (Luke 22)

Two disputes break out among Jesus' disciples shortly after Jesus institutes the Lord's Supper.

What is the first dispute?

What is the second dispute?

What does this tell us about our human nature and our need for Christ's body and blood?

"We poor maggot sacks! If we have scarcely a penny's worth of goods from God, we puff ourselves up and do not know how people should wait on us! Then everybody must serve us, and we want to serve nobody."

-What Luther Says, p. 1283

Jesus on Service

Luke 22:24-30

Matthew 20:20-28

Mark 10:35-45

John 13:12-16

Luke 16:13

Luke 17:7-10

Paul on Service

I Corinthians 12:5

II Corinthians 8:9

Galatians 1:3-5

Galatians 2:20

Galatians 5:13-15

Ephesians 2:8-10

Philippians 2:5-11

Gene Edward Veith, Jr. on Service

"The purpose of vocation is to love and serve one's neighbor. In our vocations we are not serving God – we are serving other people."

God at Work p. 39

Stephan Paulson on Service

"God makes you useful for others according to His own purposes in the old creation by giving vocations which call you out from your inner, self-protecting caves of hide-and-seek into the real world where others need you."

-Luther for Armchair Theologians, p. 201

Luther on Service

"Cursed and condemned is every kind of life lived and sought for selfish profit and good; cursed are all works not done in love. But they are done in love when they are directed wholeheartedly, not toward selfish pleasure, profit, honor, ease, and welfare but toward the profit, honor, and welfare of others."

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Opportunities for Service

Harvest House Meal Ministry March 25, June 24, Sept 23, Dec. 16

Kids Around the World, May 2017

Feed My Starving Children, Oct 2017