

CHRIST-LIKE SERVANTS

INTERACTIVE DEVOTIONS FOR CHURCH MEETINGS

- OPENING (10 minutes)
Which best describes you?
Early Bird, Night Owl, Something-in-Between



Choose your response and share it with the group. Everyone speak once before anyone speaks twice.

- FOCUS (10 minutes)
Read the following passage and imagine you are listening in on the disciples' conversation with Jesus. What would you have thought and felt?

But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me." John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward." (Mark 9:34-41)

Check the Ministry that best fits you; then share your response with the group.

- Being a Great Disciple in the Name of Jesus.
- Welcoming A Child in the Name of Jesus.
- Casting Out Demons in the Name of Jesus.
- Giving a Cup of Water in the Name of Jesus.

Ask group members to summarize their thoughts about the passage and their ministry response.

- CLOSING (5 minutes)
Complete the following prayer stem then go around the circle in a group prayer.

Dear Jesus, I want to be the kind of servant who...

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