



Sermon
Discussion
Guide

Sunday, January 29, 2023

RESOLVE

To Serve – John 3:27-30

Read/Reflect

1. Read John 3:22-30.
 - a) What did it mean to John's disciples to see Jesus overtaking John's ministry and baptism?
 - b) What did it mean to John the Baptist?
2. What's the point of John's analogy with the bridegroom and his friend? And how is that fleshed out in the following verses (John 3:31-36)?

Explore

2. In what way(s) are you motivated to serve:

<input type="checkbox"/> I feel obligated	<input type="checkbox"/> I want to participate in something
<input type="checkbox"/> I want the recognition	<input type="checkbox"/> I'm happiest to serve
<input type="checkbox"/> I feel guilty	<input type="checkbox"/> I want to use my spiritual gift of service
<input type="checkbox"/> I feel a sense of satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
3. What does it mean for you to follow your calling? In what way do you view your calling as the defining principle of your life(style)?
4. When have you most felt like God's servant? Is being God's servant something always on your mind, or are you aware of it in certain circumstances? What influences shaped you to think and behave like a servant? What are some obstacles to doing so?
5. Assess your life for service opportunities you are already involved in or could be involved in.

Pray

- Prayer for the ministry of Youth Unlimited - Abbotsford, for the youth of Abbotsford, and for the partnership between New Life Church and Youth Unlimited - Abbotsford.
- Pray for someone else in your group (or for yourself) in the times that service is hard and feels like an oversized burden.
- Pray about ways you can demonstrate God's calling on your life to be a servant, possibly taking in some of the suggestions from Youth Unlimited.