

**Message Summary:** How enthusiastic were you about your chores growing up? Probably not much. We did them out of sense of duty or fear of consequences if we didn't. Nobody was excited to do chores. Here at Hope Chapel we want every person to serve the Lord enthusiastically. Serving should be a joyous experience not drudgery – duty – or for some spiritual obligation, we are trying to fulfill. God wants us serving Him with excitement...with zeal. Today we find how this is even possible.

## **The Enthusiastic Life of Service**

1 Corinthians 15:58

*“So, my dear brothers and sisters, be strong and immovable. Always work **enthusiastically** for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless.”*

1 Corinthians 15:58 NLT

### **1. Your Serving Matters - 1 Corinthians 12:18-21**

### **2. You Are Designed to Serve - Ephesians 2:10**

- A. The way you serve/involvement helps other people grow.
- B. The way you serve/involvement causes the church to be healthy–growing–full of love.

### **3. Your Serving is Connected to Fulfillment - Romans 14:17-18**

#### **Biblical Areas of Services:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <b>Serve Christ Through Your Family</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Ephesians 5:25-6:4</li></ul></li><li>2. <b>Volunteer in Your Community</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Romans 13:8-10</li></ul></li><li>3. <b>Home Visitations</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Matthew 25:35-40</li></ul></li><li>4. <b>Be a Friend</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. John 15:14</li></ul></li><li>5. <b>Give Tithes and Offerings</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. 2 Corinthians 9:6,7</li></ul></li><li>6. <b>Serve Christ by Serving Children</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Matthew 18:5</li></ul></li><li>7. <b>Bear one another's burdens</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. 1 Corinthians 12:25,26</li></ul></li><li>8. <b>Share Your Talents</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. 1 Peter 4:10,11</li></ul></li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>9. <b>Simple Acts of Service</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Matthew 7:12</li></ul></li><li>10. <b>Serve Christ Through Missionary Work</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Matthew 28:19,20</li></ul></li><li>11. <b>Fulfill Your Callings</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Romans 12:5-13</li></ul></li><li>12. <b>Use Your Creativity- It Comes from God</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Matthew 25:14-30</li></ul></li><li>13. <b>Serve Christ by Humbling Yourself</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Philippians 2:1-4</li></ul></li><li>14. <b>Serve Christ through prayer &amp; intercession</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. 1 Timothy 2:1-4</li></ul></li><li>15. <b>Serve Christ through your work</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Colossians 3:23,24</li></ul></li></ul> |
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## **LifeGroup Questions – Signup online / at the HUB Tent**

**Begin It (5min) – Open Prayer & Praise**

**Open it (10min) – How do you want your attitude about doing work to be?**

### **Explore It (60min) - Discussion Questions:**

1. Can serving sometimes feel like “spiritual chores”? Why is this? How do you feel about the scriptures that exhort us to serve the Lord “enthusiastically”?
2. Discuss the two lies that can keep us from believing our serving really matters. Why do we believe these lies? Are there other lies that keep people from serving?
3. How do you feel about the church needing your service? How does your serving benefit the church?
4. Discuss: #1-What you like to do? #2-What do you do well? #3-What do others say you do well?
5. How have you experienced serving connected to life fulfillment? If serving is not fulfilling, what may be some causes of this?

**APPLY IT (15min):** In order to grow in doing work (for Jesus) enthusiastically, what steps can you take?