



**Hill Cliffe Study Guide  
Pulling Together  
#4 Serving Together  
Sunday 14 July 2024**

1. What impacted you most from the Sermon on Sunday?

**Please read 1 Corinthians 12.4-6**

1. What are the; different kinds of gifts; the different kinds of service; and the different kinds of working? (listen back to Sunday's sermon for some teaching on this)
2. In **Ephesians 2.8-10**, Paul teaches that we have not been saved by our good works, but that we have been saved to do good works under God's direction – as holy priests in His house, and ambassadors in his world. How do you feel about this?

**Please read 1 Peter 4.8-11**

3. What does Peter mean when he writes, *'Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.'*?
4. What gifts, talents, abilities and resources have you received from God, and how do you steward them in serving others? Or how might you use and steward them to serve others?

**Please read Colossians 3.22-24**

'Good Works' in NT teaching mainly focuses on our service for one another in the church, or towards other believers in the Kingdom of God. But, as we see exemplified by Jesus, God's good works extend well beyond the boundary of the church.

For many Christians, the vast majority of their daytime hours most days will be spent in the context of their workplaces or their voluntary roles, or in caring for others, or amongst their neighbours, family and friends – this will be the place they will serve God and serve others most of the week, for many years. So, it's good to know that God values your ministry here in the same way he values your ministry in the church family.

5. How can we best support one another in our small groups in our service for God in the church and in the world?

**Please read John 13.1-5, 12-17, & Philippians 2.5-7**

6. Why are John 13.3 and Philippians 2.5-7 important for understanding why Jesus felt perfectly willing to do the work of a household servant for his disciples?
7. How does this speak to your sense of identity – and whether it liberates you to serve others without grasping for status or without comparing yourself to others?
8. How does Jesus' example speak to you? And how will you respond to his direct challenge in John 13.14-15, 17?