Becoming A Serving Group July 23, 2017

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Five Steps To Becoming A Serving Group

Step One: Serve Your <u>GROUP MEMBERS.</u>

15 I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. 17 This is my command: Love each other. (John 15:15-17)

- Serve them:
 - Genuinely
 - <u>Unconditionally</u>
 - Tangibly
 - <u>Sacrifically</u>

Step Two: Allow Group Members TO SERVE THE GROUP

1 In those days when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenistic Jews[a] among them complained against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. 2 So the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, "It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God in order to wait on tables. 3 Brothers and sisters, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them 4 and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word." (Acts 6:1-4)

- Roles to give away
 - Hosting
 - Food
 - <u>Facilitating</u>
 - Prayer
 - Events
 - <u>Mission</u>
 - Handout at NewVisionLife.com/Leaders called "Get Involved in Your Group." This will allow group members to find a place to serve in your group.

Step Three: Serve Together <u>IN THE COMMUNITY</u>

Step Four: Serve Together IN THE WORLD

- Three guidelines:
 - See missions as a lifestyle and not just an event
 - Debrief afterward
 - Keep it simple
 - Contact information to serve at NewVisionLife.com/Serve
 - Check ministry events at NewVisionSignUp.com to see which events your groups will be able to serve at!

Step Five: Serve Together <u>IN THE WORLD</u>

19 Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matt 28:19-20)

o "When Helping Hurts" by Brian Fikkert & Steve Corbett