


A MINISTRY OF HEARTSWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

WEEK TEN | THE HEART OF A SERVANT

TUESDAY

# Serving One Another in Love

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE (KJV)

### Galatians 5:13

"For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another."

## KEY TRUTH

**Christian freedom is not permission to live selfishly; it is an opportunity to serve lovingly.**

## GOOD MORNING!

Good morning! Freedom in Christ releases us from the bondage of sin, but it never releases us from the responsibility to love. Grace changes what we are free to do with our lives.

Paul warns believers not to use liberty as an occasion for the flesh. Selfishness asks how every situation benefits us. Love asks how our freedom can become a blessing to someone else.

Service without love can become duty, pride, or resentment. Love gives service its proper spirit. It listens patiently, notices quietly, gives generously, and keeps going when appreciation is small.

Let love direct your schedule today. Make room for an interruption, offer help before being asked, and choose another person's good over personal convenience. Freedom reaches its finest purpose when it becomes loving service.

## TAKE FIVE CHALLENGE

**Take five intentional minutes today.**

1. **Read Galatians 5:13-14.**
2. **Examine your motive for serving.**
3. **Choose love over convenience.**
4. **Spend five minutes praying for compassion.**
5. **Help someone before being asked.**

## SONG FOR THE JOURNEY



**"More Love to Thee"**
**- Elizabeth Prentiss**

"More love to Thee, O Christ."

Growing love for Christ produces a growing willingness to serve the people He places in our path.

## SHARE THE BLESSING

Give someone your unhurried attention. Listening with patience is often one of the most loving services we can offer.

## PRAYER

Father, thank You for the freedom I have in Christ. Keep me from using that freedom selfishly. Fill me with genuine love that listens, notices, gives, and serves. Help me place another person's good ahead of my convenience today. Amen.

## PASTOR MIKE'S THOUGHT

Service becomes a ministry when love is the reason, not recognition or reward.

## THE GOSPEL IN ONE VERSE

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

**John 3:16 (KJV)**

## TOMORROW'S TAKE FIVE

**Week Ten | Wednesday | Faithful in Little Things | Luke 16:10 (KJV)**

Walking with you in Christ,

Pastor Mike

**Doing God's work, God's way, in Jesus' name!**