

Spiritual Gift: SERVICE

Definition: to identify undone tasks in God's work, however menial, and use available resources to get the job done

Scripture: Romans 12:7

Greek Word: diakonia - deacon, attendant ('diako'=to run errands)

Scriptural Role Models to Study: Martha (Luke 10; John 12)

Characteristics of Someone with this Gift:

- ___ enjoys pitching in on service projects in the church
- ___ usually volunteers to help with tasks that need to be done
- ___ willing to work at a task regardless of how simple or trivial it may seem
- ___ feels a sense of satisfaction in seeing a job through to completion
- ___ very dependable for getting things done

Ministry Areas & Tasks Using This Gift:

Benevolence Ministry:

preparing meals, transportation

Clerical Ministry:

almost any kind of clerical work

Communications Ministry:

radio/TV, sound technician, visual aids

Service-Oriented Ministry:

almost any kind of domestic and maintenance type of tasks, deacon/deaconess, transportation

Staff-Support Ministry:

maintain resources & supplies, clerical, almost any kind of office work

Worship Ministry:

prepare communion, usher

Observations About This Gifting:

- Service is not a one-on-one person-centered gift like the gifts of mercy and helps. It is more task-oriented.
- The gift of service is often used with other natural skills such as carpentry, photography, printing, etc.
- People with the gift of service must be careful not to: 1) isolate themselves excessively from relationships with others in lieu of behind-the-scenes work, 2) not receive from others as well as give 3) not be able to say no to all the physical needs around them