**Why Do We Serve?**

(John 13)

*Main point:* As members of the new covenant community, we are called to serve one another through love, just as Christ loved and served us.

**Three Reasons why we serve…**

**I. To Express our Love and Obedience to Christ**

**II. For the Fulfillment of our Own Joy in Christ**

**III. To Point Other to the Greatness of Christ**

Hindrances & Wrong Motives:

* Selfishness
* For our Own Glory
* Manipulation
* A Begrudging Duty

*Application Questions:* How has Jesus served you? How does Christ’s sacrifice on your behalf encourage and inform the way you serve others? What are some ways you can intentionally serve others this week in the home? In the church? On the job?

This sermon focused on Value 5 of our ten values:

**SGCC Ten Values**

We believe a good summary of a healthy Christian is someone who lives out these ten values.  We believe this is possible for every member:

**I) Abide:***Every member possessing a thriving prayer life and a rich Bible devotional life*

**II) Follow:** *Every member a Spirit-led worshipper and practitioner*

**III) Go:***Every member participating in a short term mission trip & thereafter actively supporting local and extra local mission endeavors*

**IV) Tell:** *Every member sharing the gospel at least 1x a year.*

**V) Serve:***Every member serving on a ministry team at SGCC.*

**VI) Give:***Every member generously & cheerfully laying up treasure in heaven.*

**VII) Learn:***Every member grounded in sound doctrine and committed to ongoing learning*

**VIII) Apply:** *Every member consistently applying the Sunday sermon and living a gospel-centered life.*

**IX) Fellowship:***Every member a committed participant in a small group.*

**X) Disciple:***Every member active in discipling & being discipled.*