

II. Ideas for Serving People in your Circles of Influence

. Family: Immediate & Extended

Family Reunions, Birthdays, Special Occasions, Anniversaries, Sharing Family Memories - with all of these surprising your family is the best – serving Family in unexpected ways communicates the loudest.

. Common Interests/Friends:

Buy them a gift related to your common interest- something they would want, meet their practical needs when they can't, offer to babysit their kids, take their car and have it detailed, send them a gift card for something they love, take them out for a meal on you, ask them the one chore at home that they are dreading and offer to come over and help them with it, be present in their crisis, plan a "Mission Impossible" date night for them – they go place to place and get messages that lead them to a final destination where you have prepared a great meal for them - why be boring – be those friends!

. Co-Workers/Business:

Get to work early and put something on their desk to bless them, offer to help them with those assignments at work that you know they hate, offer to stay late on occasion if needed or go the extra mile for your employer or co-worker, offer to get them coffee when you get yours, offer to get them lunch when you get yours, clean up the breakroom, or the coffee pot.

. Neighbors:

Watching their place while they're gone, collecting their newspapers for them, feeding their animals for them when they travel. Mowing their yard if they are unable to, helping them with a home project, celebrating big days in their lives. Being available with resources during an emergency like a power outage. You could deliver some of your firewood to them in an ice storm. You could take them a meal when they move in. You could help them move a large piece of furniture or an appliance. You could loan them a tool you own or help them with a project.

. Divine Appointments:

Live as a servant – people will notice this – pick up trash when you see it, rack your weights at the gym, go the extra mile, little things that most people don't or won't do, consider others as more important than yourself and you will find a thousand ways to live this out in front of people you don't even know yet.

. Jesus Made _____ John 21:19 & 21

Every time you _____ someone, you are making an eternal investment in your _____ with them

This Week: Ask God who He wants you to specifically serve, using one of the ideas above

