




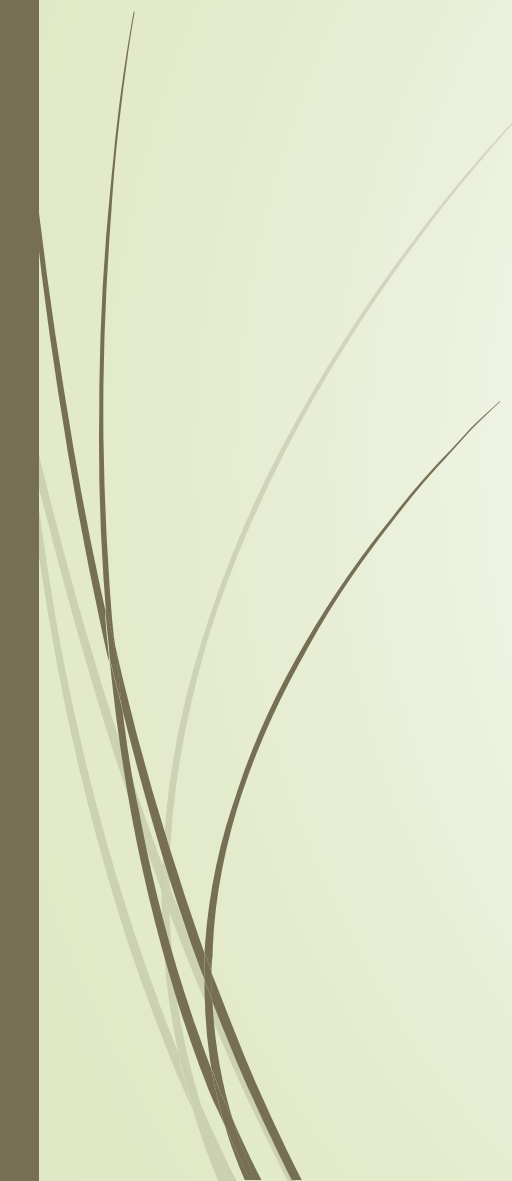
# The Ultimate Apologetic

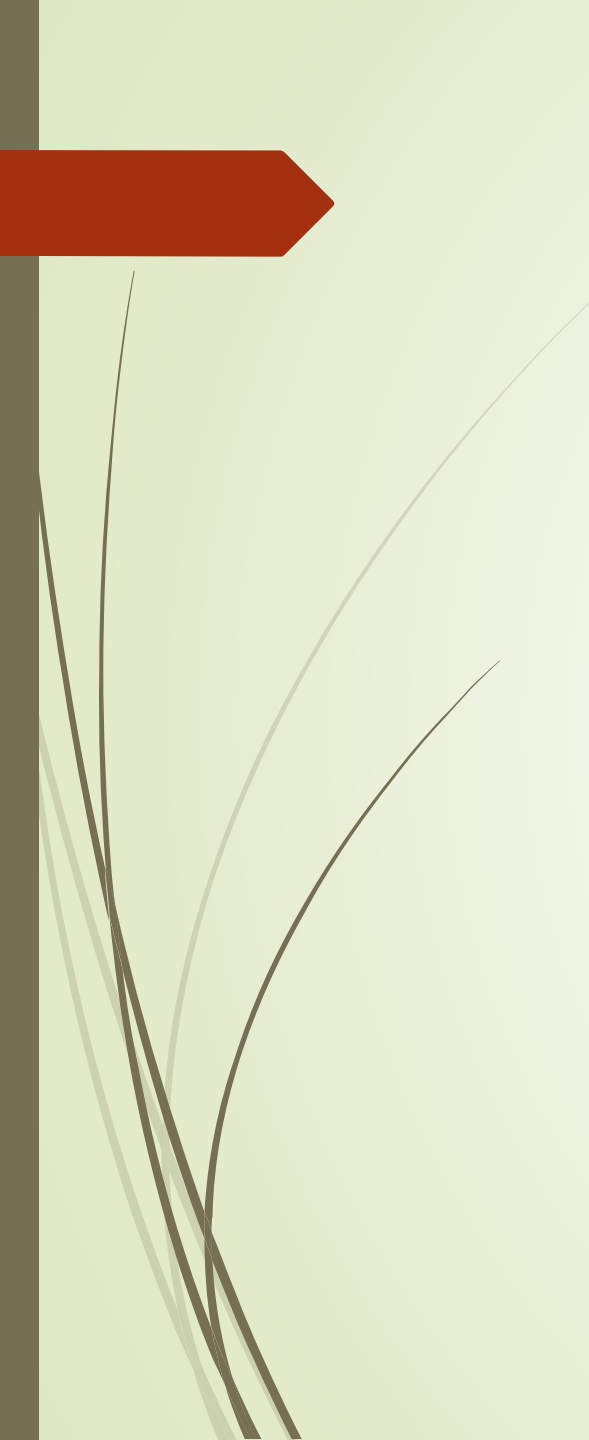
*YOU WANT WE TO DO WHAT FOR WHOM?*

*GALATIANS 5:13-15*




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**Life is like a game of tennis;  
The one who serves well  
seldom loses.**

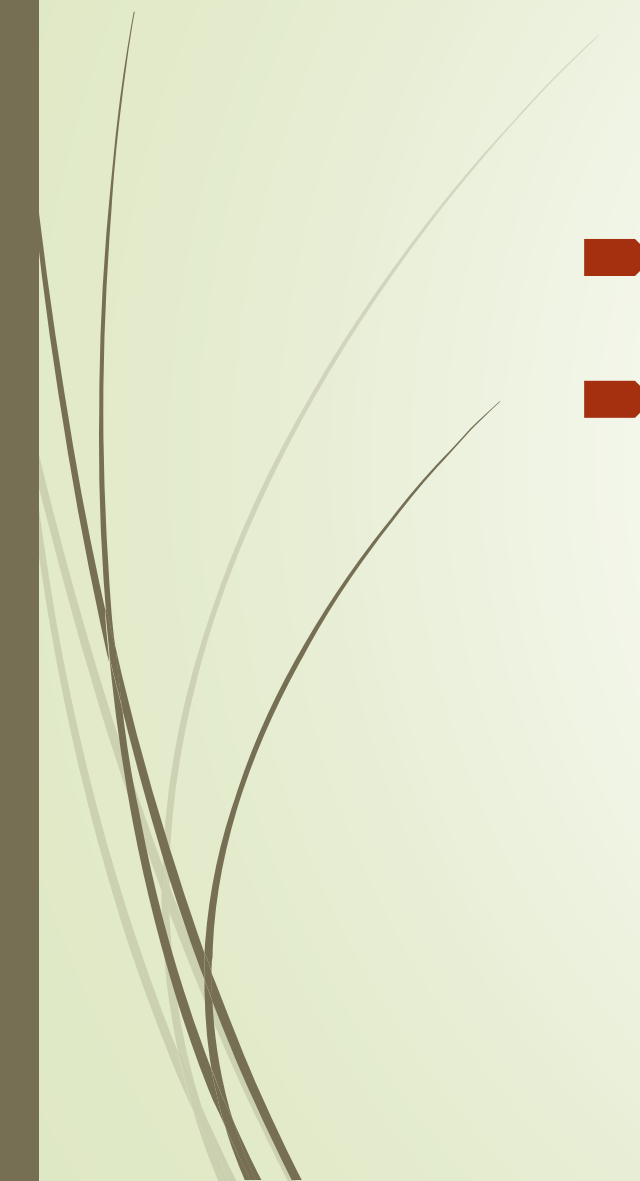


The average church member would do well to look at his concordance and see how many columns it takes to list all the “serve,” “servant,” and “service” references. We come to church sit but not to go out and serve.

Vance Havner



# THE WORD VS. THE WORLD

- The world – I am here to be served
  - The word – I have equipped you *so that* you can serve others
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## GUIDELINES

<sup>12</sup> When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. “Do you understand what I have done for you?” he asked them. <sup>13</sup> “You call me ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord,’ and rightly so, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup> Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet. <sup>15</sup> I have set you an example that you should




## GUIDELINES

do as I have done for you. <sup>16</sup> I tell you the truth, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. <sup>17</sup> Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

John 13:12–17



# GUIDELINES

- Service is one of the supreme characteristics of love.
  - Christ-like service requires confidence.
  - Christ-like service requires humility.
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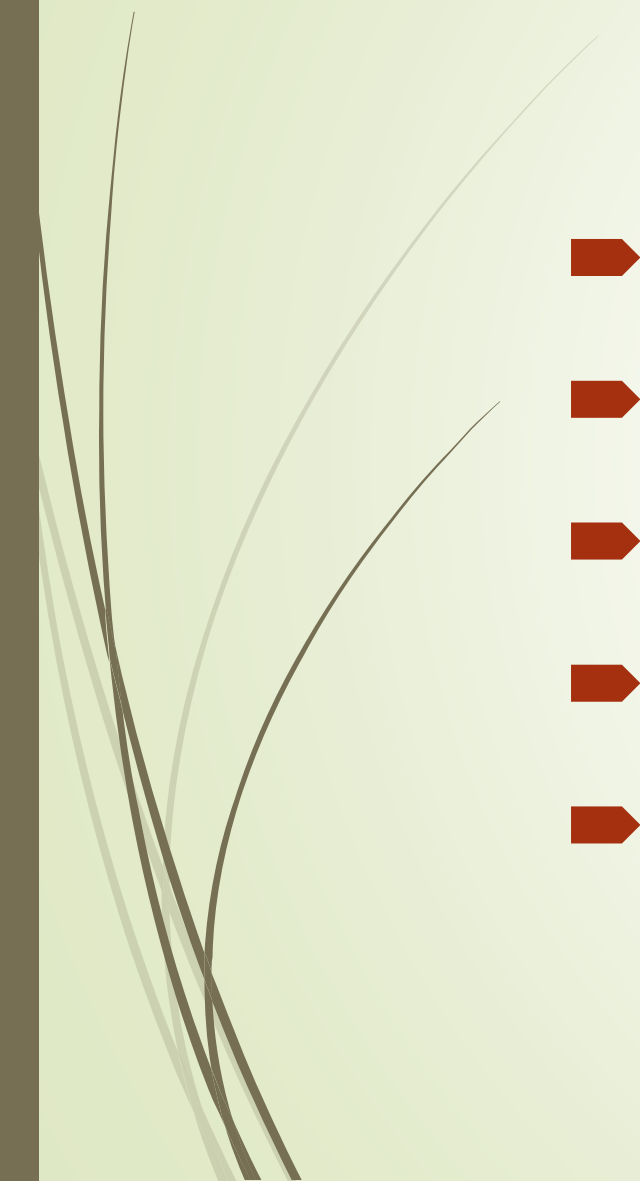
## THE MISSING KEY:


It was just before the Passover Feast. Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extent of his love.

John 13:1



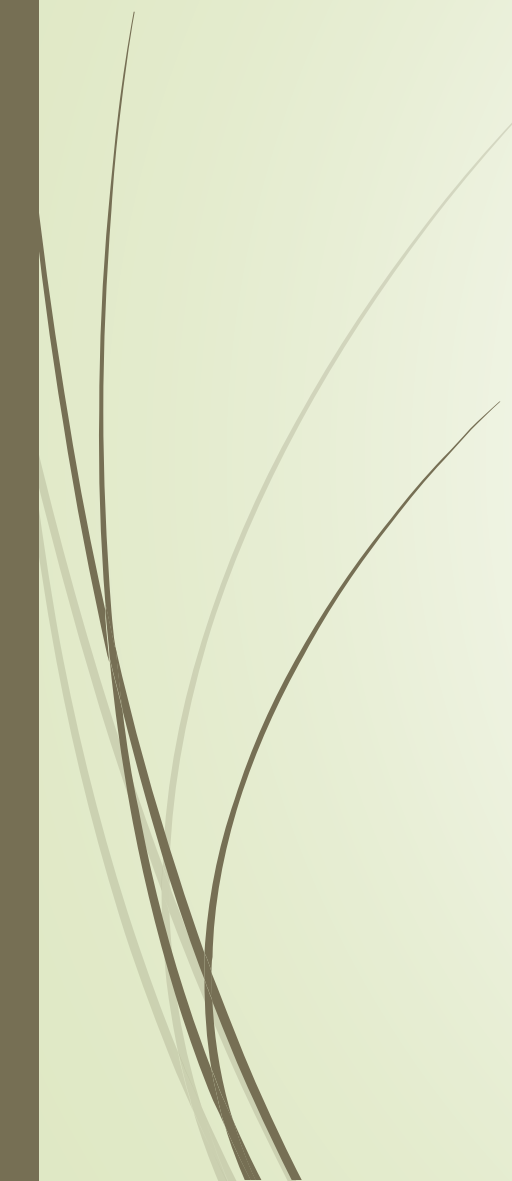
# SELF OR SERVANT


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- Self-Focus
  - Self-Righteousness
  - Self-Satisfaction
  - Self-Reliance
  - Self-Rule




## MATTHEW 20:25-28

<sup>25</sup> Jesus called them together and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. <sup>26</sup> Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>27</sup> and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— <sup>28</sup> just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”





<sup>13</sup> You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. <sup>14</sup> The entire law is summed up in a single command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>15</sup> If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.



**The measure of a man's power is the measure of his surrender. It is not a question of who you are or what you are but whether God controls you.**

Henrietta Mears



# SO WHAT?

- Who do you serve?
  - Who do you *really* serve?
  - How does the example Jesus rebuke or encourage you?
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