



MESSAGE NOTES

Being Used by God 2

1 Peter 4:8-10

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1. Created to worship

1 Peter 4:8-10 Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

God created each one of us with unique gifts and characteristics. So that we could fulfil the good works which He has prepared in advance for us to do. Everyone is good at something and nobody is good at everything. So we need each other. We serve God through loving other people.

2. One body

Romans 12:4-5 For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

If one person is missing from the body of Christ, we all lose out. Because God has designed that person to fulfil a particular function. Everyone is important and nobody is more important than anyone else.

3. Serve from acceptance

Luke 15:20 So he got up and went to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

We don't do good things to be accepted by God. We do good things because we are accepted by Him. God accepts us as His child when we choose to follow Jesus. We serve God and other people from that new identity.