## Self-Exploration 6 Serve Others to Serve God By John J. Liptak, Ed.D.

All people have the knowledge, skills, and abilities to serve others and thus serve God. Although you may not believe it yet, God has provided you with numerous skills that you can use to help others. In 1 Corinthians 12 4:6 (NIV), the Bible says, "There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and everyone it is the same God at work."

Complete the following evaluation of your Heavenly progress by counting in your mind how many of the items below you currently engage in.

## In trying to be an excellent servant....

I serve God by reading and fiving
Bible scriptures.
I use my gifts to glorify the Lord.
I do everything I can daily to serve
others and serve God.
I volunteer in my church and my
community.

I give generously to those in need.
I feel it is a privilege to serve my
Lord.
I serve others to serve God.
I am kind to all people, including
strangers.
I use my talents to fulfill the calling
God bestowed upon me.

## What Does My Total Mean?

The more items you check in your mind, the more you appear to live a life of Christian attitudes, beliefs, and choices.

Please see my book Calculating the Essentials of Christian Life for tips and journaling prompts on living a Christian life. You can think about them or write about them in your journal. You are doing great! Please keep up your excellent work.

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