



FINE ARTS

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discipleship dimension: service

DIMENSION OBJECTIVE:

Disciples begin to grow as good team members. Whether leading or following, they seek the good of everyone they serve, using all their gifts to honor God and help others.



Service is Worship

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scripture

"While the people of Israel were still at Rephidim, the warriors of Amalek attacked them. Moses commanded Joshua, 'Choose some men to go out and fight the army of Amalek for us. Tomorrow, I will stand at the top of the hill, holding the staff of God in my hand.' So Joshua did what Moses had commanded and fought the army of Amalek. Meanwhile, Moses, Aaron, and Hur climbed to the top of a nearby hill. As long as Moses held up the staff in his hand, the Israelites had the advantage. But whenever he dropped his hand, the Amalekites gained the advantage. Moses' arms soon became so tired he could no longer hold them up. So Aaron and Hur found a stone for him to sit on. Then they stood on each side of Moses, holding up his hands. So his hands held steady until sunset. As a result, Joshua overwhelmed the army of Amalek in battle."

Exodus 17:8–13

discover

Desmond Doss was a United States Army corporal who served as a combat medic during World War II. He famously refused to carry a weapon due to his religious convictions. During one of the bloodiest battles—the Battle of Hacksaw Ridge—he repeatedly ran into enemy fire to drag severely injured soldiers to the edge of the ridge they were fighting on. He tied a rope around their bodies and lowered them down to safety to other medics below. Though he wasn't fighting on the front lines in the battle, his service saved 75 lives.

develop

What Aaron and Hur were doing in Exodus 17 wasn't glamorous. They weren't showing off or doing anything special. Instead, they supported Moses by holding up his arms so the Israelites could succeed. Their service may have seemed insignificant compared to the fighting below, but it was vital to the victory.

Desmond Doss also wasn't the "star of the show," yet he saved dozens of soldiers and is honored for his selfless actions and courage to this day.

In the same way, your service might not always be noticed by others, but it is an act of worship to God. He sees it. No matter how big or small, you can honor Him through your time and work. God can use every act of service and move through it.

deploy

How can you support and encourage your teammates in their service? How can you show your gratitude and respect for the service of others? What one act of service can you offer as an act of worship to God?

prayer

Pray that God would help you guard your heart against pride or feelings of being too "big" to serve. Thank Him for those who are serving around you faithfully and ask Him to help you honor them and their work.