

Some Ideas Regarding Servanthood

When we surrender our lives to Christ, we become more like Him every day. One attribute of Christ is his servant's heart. Allow the following ideas and scriptures to penetrate your heart as you prepare for this trip and all that the Lord might want to do through you. Remember that you're not only serving the nationals, but you are serving your teammates as well.

1. This is not a spiritual vacation.
2. Jesus did not come to be served, but to serve.
3. It is not about you being ministered to; it is about you ministering, and then you receive a blessing.

Here are some verses to consider and memorize as you prepare to serve on this trip:

- *Matthew 20:27-28 "...and whoever wishes to be first among you shall be your slave; just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."*
- *Matthew 25:21 "His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful slave; you were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things, enter into the joy of your master."*
- *Mark 9:35 "And sitting down, He called the twelve and said to them, "If anyone wants to be first, he shall be last of all, and servant of all."*
- *Mark 10:44 —...and whoever wishes to be first among you shall be slave of all."*
- *John 13:16 "Truly, truly, I say to you, a slave is not greater than his master; neither one who is sent greater than the one who sent him."*
- *John 15:15, 20 "All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said, that He takes of Mine, and will disclose it to you. "Truly, truly, I say to you, that you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will be turned to joy."*
- *I Corinthians 9:19 "For though I am free from all men, I have made myself a slave to all, that I might win the more."*
- *Philippians 2:7 —but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bondservant, and being made in the likeness of men."*