

18 Ways to Form a Servant's Heart

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1. Present Your Body as a Living and Holy Sacrifice and Serve God

Romans 12:1, *“Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.”*

2. Be Transformed and Prove the Will of God

Romans 12:2, *“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.”*

3. Think with Sound Judgment

Romans 12:3, *“For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think, so as to have, sound judgment.”*

4. Give of Yourself to the Body of Christ

Romans 12:4-5, *“For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.”*

5. Use Your Gifts to Serve in the Church

Romans 12:6-8, *“Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to exercise them accordingly: if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith; ⁷ if service, in his serving; or he who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸ or he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.”*

6. Love Others Without Being a Hypocrite

Romans 12:9, *“Let love be without hypocrisy.”*

7. Attach Yourself to Good Things

Romans 12:9, *“Abhor what is evil; cling to what is good.”*

8. Devote Yourself to Brotherly Love and Serving the Lord

Romans 12:10-11, *“Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor; ¹¹ not lagging behind in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord.”*

9. Develop a Positive Attitude Devoted to Prayer

Romans 12:12, *“Be devoted to one another in rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer.”*

10. Be Devoted in Contributing to Christians and Practice Hospitality

Romans 12:13, *“Be devoted to one another in contributing to the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality.”*

11. Bless People who Treat You Badly

Romans 12:14, *“Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.”*

12. Join Others in Happy and Sad Moments

Romans 12:15, *“Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep.”*

13. Practice Humility and Do Not be a Respector of Persons

Romans 12:16, *“Be of the same mind toward one another; do not be haughty in mind, but associate with the lowly. Do not be wise in your own estimation.”*

14. Resist Revenge and the Temptation to Pay Back

Romans 12:17; 19, *“Never pay back evil for evil to anyone. Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord.”*

15. Be Respectful

Romans 12:17, *“Respect what is right in the sight of all men.”*

16. Be Responsible in all Relationships

Romans 12:18, *“If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men.”*

17. Give of Yourself to Your Enemy

Romans 12:20, *“But if your enemy is hungry, feed him, and if he is thirsty, give him a drink; for in so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.”*

18. Be Consumed with Good

Romans 12:21, *“Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”*