10 Choices That Will Transform Your Life Forever

Choice #7: Choose to Serve

I. Introduction

- -5 excuses for not serving:
 - 1.) I'm too busy!
 - 2.) I'm only a teenager !
 - 3.) I'm too shy!
 - 4.) I'm not sure what my gifting is!
 - 5.) I'm not living as I ought to be.

II. 3 Qualities of a Godly Servant Involves...

- 1.) A cultivation of humility (v3)
 - -not think of yourself more highly than you ought to think
 - -God has gifted us; therefore, He should get the glory
- 2.) A recognition of responsibility (v4-5)
 - -one body, but many members
 - -Are you fulfilling your role?
- 3.) A willingness to do ministry (v6-8)
 - -Focus of verses 6-8 to encourage us to do ministry
 - -Examples of gifts:
 - -Gift of prophecy
 - -Gift of ministry
 - -Gift of teaching
 - -Gift of encouragement
 - -Gift of giving
 - -Gift of leadership
 - -Gift of mercy

III. Conclusion

-Are you serving the Lord?

Questions:

- 1. Which of the 5 excuses for not serving do you most relate to? Are there practical things you could do to make serving a possibility?
- 2. How can we strike the balance between not overestimating or underestimating our importance in the body of Christ?
- 3. Brainstorm as a group different ministry opportunities for highschool students.