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DEVOTION: A HEART FOR SERVICE

Welcome to this companion devotion for our blog post on - A Heart for Service. These Bible passages and thought-provoking questions are designed to help you engage with the Scriptures, as well as observe, understand, and apply God's Word to your life. I pray this devotion will inspire and motivate you to consider the benefits of applying the truth of each passage and growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior.

LEAN IN

- When was the last time you volunteered or served in a ministry or organization? What was that experience like for you?
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LOOK DOWN

The Bible talks a lot about serving and encourages us to do so regularly.

- What do the verses below teach us about the posture we should have as we serve?
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1 Peter 4:10-11

¹⁰ God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another. ¹¹ Do you have the gift of speaking? Then speak as though God himself were speaking through you. Do you have the gift of helping others? Do it with all the strength and energy that God supplies. Then everything you do will bring glory to God through Jesus Christ. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen.

Philippians 2:3-4

³ Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. ⁴ Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.

LOOK OUT

- What is the world's perspective on serving and volunteering? Who receives the glory?

Hebrews 6:10

¹⁰ For God is not unjust. He will not forget how hard you have worked for him and how you have shown your love to him by caring for other believers, as you still do.

LOOK IN

- Think back again to the last experience you had when you served. How did it affect you? What did you learn as a result of it?

LIVE IT OUT

- Moving forward, what attitude can you commit to having as you serve?

Isaiah 6:8

⁸ Then I heard the Lord asking, "Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?" I said, "Here I am. Send me."

Galatians 6:10

¹⁰ Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone—especially to those in the family of faith.

As you step out to serve, may God redeem your time and treasure tenfold.
May you learn more about yourself and grow deeper in your faith and walk
with Him. In Jesus name!