

Grace Group Discussion Guide

Serving the Servants

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3 John 5–12

Synopsis:

You will see how you can be a part of the greatest grass roots movement ever seen in human history, you will see.

1. Hospitality Commended
2. Hostility Condemned
3. Honor Conferred

Questions:

Warm Up:

1. What is one way that the sermon encouraged, exhorted, challenged, or corrected you?
2. What stood out to you regarding the message on “Serving the Servants”?

Discussion:

1. What is the main difference between Gaius and Diotrephes?
2. What is it that Gaius is being commended for as a fellow worker?
3. What is it that characterized Diotrephes as being corrupt? (v.9)
4. What are the four actions Casey described a corrupt leader produces? (v.10)

Application:

1. What are some ways in which you can be like Gaius in your hospitality?
2. What are some excuses we use to not be hospitable towards fellow workers of the Gospel?
3. What is the driving motivator in being hospitable towards others?
4. Read Matthew 25:21, 23, 34–40; What do these verses tell us regarding how God sees hospitality done towards others?

Prayer Suggestion:

- Pray that GCV would continue to grow in their hospitality towards both strangers and those in the flock.
- Please be in prayer for the upcoming Summerfest nights, pray for the speakers and for the Gospel to fall on good soil.
- Please be Praying for the summer women book studies that will be taking place, that they would build up and edify everyone who is involved.

Missions Prayer Requests

For this Week, Pray for Team Uganda as the 12 members of Grace Church of the Valley are currently in Uganda serving SOS ministries.

Pray as Paul says in Colossians 4:3,

“That God may open to (Team Uganda) a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ.”

Pray Specifically for:

- Traveling Mercies as the travel back from Africa is difficult.
- Continued blessing upon their time there.
- John Paul Stepanian and Shannon Hurley as they host a conference for over 600 young people.