



Sermon Outline  
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## It's Never MY Ministry

Mark 12:1-9

The only way the church \_\_\_\_\_  
is if the church \_\_\_\_\_.

The "Code" defines who  
we \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ.

\* **We serve because He served.**

*It doesn't really work for someone to say,  
"I follow Christ but **serv**ing isn't my thing."*

The "Code" governs how  
we \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ.

\* **We serve in His shadow and strength.**

*Our goal is to make Jesus \_\_\_\_\_.*

When it comes to serving Christ there  
will always be a tension between  
\_\_\_\_\_ vs. \_\_\_\_\_

*The more invested I am in something, the more costly it may  
become to lose. The more control I have acquired, the more  
insecure I become about things not going my way.*

**We serve \_\_\_\_\_.**

**The church \_\_\_\_\_ to Christ.**

**Ephesians 1:22-23** - And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

*The Church is one of the few organizations in the world that exists primarily for those who are **not yet** a part of it.*

**If we aren't careful, we will pursue our  
\_\_\_\_\_ over his purposes.**

*When I remember that I am a steward, I recognize that I've been entrusted with something valuable and I have a responsibility to give it my best care. I don't own it but I've been given an amazing privilege.*

**We serve \_\_\_\_\_.**

**John 3:26-27** - They came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, that man who was with you on the other side of the Jordan—the one you testified about—look, he is baptizing, and everyone is going to him." To this John replied, "A person can receive only what is given them from heaven.

*Success can go to my head and will unless I remember that it is God who accomplishes the work, that He can continue to do so without my help, and that He will be able to make out with other means whenever He wants to cut me out!* **Charles Spurgeon**

**We serve \_\_\_\_\_.**

**1 Peter 4:10** - Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

**So how is your life being used to  
\_\_\_\_\_ others?**

**Matthew 25:40** - "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"