

October 24, 2026

Do Good While You Can

October Series: Love Your Neighbor

Week Focus: Don't Just Say It

Scripture – Galatians 6:10 – *“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.”*

Devotional Reflection

Opportunities to demonstrate Christlike love are often closer than we realize. Paul encourages believers to do good as opportunities arise, reminding us that our faith should influence how we respond to people both inside and outside the church. His words challenge us to move beyond the idea that service is limited to organized ministry events. While outreach programs and church initiatives are important, everyday life also presents meaningful opportunities to demonstrate the love of Jesus Christ. **SERVICE IS NOT ONLY SOMETHING WE SCHEDULE. IT IS ALSO SOMETHING WE PRACTICE.**

Throughout this week, we have considered what it means to receive Christ's love, recognize the needs around us, and respond with compassion. Each step matters. Without understanding Christ's sacrifice, our service can become disconnected from the gospel. Without recognizing people's needs, our compassion may remain only an idea. Without practical action, even sincere concern can fail to provide meaningful help. These truths work together to shape a life that increasingly reflects Jesus. Yet faithful service does not always look dramatic. Some of the most meaningful expressions of Christlike love happen quietly, consistently, and without public recognition.

We should also remember those who are already serving faithfully. Some people are caring for aging parents, raising children, supporting relatives, assisting neighbors, or carrying responsibilities that others may never see. Their daily sacrifices matter to God. Paul's instruction to do good as we have opportunity is not a demand to ignore exhaustion or continually take on more responsibilities. Scripture also teaches us to bear one another's burdens. Sometimes faithful service means continuing what God has entrusted to us; other times it means allowing others to help carry the load. **CHRISTLIKE COMPASSION SHOULD BE FAITHFUL AND SUSTAINABLE, NOT DRIVEN BY GUILT OR THE NEED TO PROVE OUR WORTH.**

As this week draws to a close, return to our transformation challenge: **ONE NEED. ONE RESPONSE. ONE ACT OF LOVE.** Perhaps you have already demonstrated compassion through a responsibility you faithfully carry. Give God the glory for that service. Perhaps He has shown you a new opportunity to encourage someone, provide assistance, or respond to a need. Ask Him for wisdom to know what you can faithfully do. As Life Transformation Church, may we continue serving families, children, young people, and neighbors throughout Roselle and the surrounding communities with compassion, dignity, and truth. **WHEN GOD PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO GOOD, LET US RESPOND WITH WILLING HEARTS AND WISE ACTIONS.**

FOCUS FOR TODAY

Service is not only something we schedule. It is also something we practice. Christlike compassion should be faithful and sustainable, not driven by guilt.

PRACTICE

- Complete one meaningful act of love today, or intentionally encourage someone who has been faithfully serving others.
 - Let your response be guided by gratitude, wisdom, and compassion.
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PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank You for every opportunity to demonstrate Your love. Strengthen those who are faithfully serving, encourage those who are weary, and give us wisdom to recognize where we can help. Use Life Transformation Church to reflect Your compassion throughout our community.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

REFLECTION QUESTION

How can I faithfully demonstrate Christ's love while honoring the responsibilities and limitations God has entrusted to me?