

EPHESIANS 4:11-12

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_____ Your Position

Mark 10:45 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many."

_____ The Two Key Elements

_____ Often

_____ Minister

_____ Others To Minister

Volunteer

Replaceable
Serve out of duty
Giving time - My time
Looking to benefit
Task oriented
Gives for self
Do only what they are told
Wants results

Minister

Needed
Serves out of love
Giving self - God's time
Know God will reward
People oriented
Gives for others
Do whatever it takes to minister
God gives the increase

Ministry is giving when you feel like keeping,
praying for others when you need to be prayed for,
feeding others when your own soul is hungry,
living truth before people even when you can't see results,
hurting with other people even when your own hurt can't be spoken,
keeping your word even when it is not convenient,
it is being faithful when your flesh wants to run away.