

## **DAY 18 – SERVING GOD BY SERVING OTHERS**

### **Scriptures**

Acts 20:35; 1 John 3:18

### **Prayer Focus**

Pray for a heart to love people and serve the community.

### **Devotional Thought**

To serve is to assist, help, care for, or work for someone. God calls us to serve him through worship and to serve other people by ministering to their needs. Jesus said that the essence of ministry is service (Mark 10:43-45). We are to serve others regardless of their position or station in life. In fact, the Bible encourages us to remember the poor (Matthew 25:44-45; James 1:27).

### **Practical Moment**

Make a list of some creative ways to serve others and follow through on what you produce. Here are some examples to get you started:

1. Volunteer at a local rescue mission.
2. Donate clothing to a shelter.
3. Give a sacrificial offering to your church.
4. Do yardwork for an elderly neighbor.
5. Prepare a meal for a friend or loved one.
6. Visit someone in the hospital.
7. Perform a random act of kindness for a stranger.