

# Concern for Christ-Centered Service

Colossians 1:24

Being a Christian is living for Christ;  
it's following Jesus' example as a  
servant by serving God's truth  
and God's people.

## Four marks/features of Christ-centered service in the church.

These four marks grow out of Paul's emphasis of *serving the church as Christ has served you.*

# I. The Character of Christ-Centered Service

(Colossians 1:24-25)

- Suffering is the character of Jesus' service. (v. 24)

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*I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me, and delivered Himself up for me.*

(Galatians 2:20)

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*But may it never be that I should boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.*  
(Galatians 6:14)

The secret to joyful Christ-centered service:  
*to see it as your privilege and not as a burden.*

Paul's example: do not neglect serving in this church  
because it is the same as neglecting to serve Jesus  
in all that He is and does for you.

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