

20) What are the gifts that God gives to His church?

21) What is the purpose of giving these gifts?

22) What do we learn about love and service from this passage?

**1 Peter 4:10 (GW)** <sup>10</sup> Each of you as a good manager must use the gift that God has given you to serve others.

23) What is the purpose of spiritual gifts according to this verse?

24) What have you learned about God's love and serving?

25) What have you learned about loving and serving others?

## Love Means Service

**Genesis 3:21 (GW)** <sup>21</sup> The LORD God made clothes from animal skins for the man and his wife and dressed them.

1) How did God show love for Adam and Eve after they sinned?

2) How did God serve them?

3) What do we learn about God's love and service?

**Exodus 16:3-5 (GW)** <sup>3</sup> The Israelites said to them, "If only the LORD had let us die in Egypt! There we sat by our pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted! You brought us out into this desert to let us all starve to death!" <sup>4</sup> The LORD said to Moses, "I'm going to send you food from heaven like rain. Each day the people should go out and gather only what they need for that day. In this way I will test them to see whether or not they will follow my instructions. <sup>5</sup> But on the sixth day when they prepare what they bring home, it should be twice as much as they gather on other days."

4) What was the attitude of the Israelites?

5) How did God show love and service to them?

6) What do we learn about God's love and service?

**Psalms 23:1 (GW)** <sup>1</sup> The LORD is my shepherd. I am never in need.

7) What does a shepherd do for the sheep?

8) How is the Lord our shepherd?

9) What does it mean to not be in need?

10) What do we learn about God's love and service?

Psalm 23:5 (GW) <sup>5</sup> You prepare a banquet for me while my enemies watch. You anoint my head with oil. My cup overflows.

11) What do you think this verse means?

12) How does God serve out of love?

**Mark 1:29-31 (GW)** <sup>29</sup> After they left the synagogue, they went directly to the house of Simon and Andrew. James and John went with them. <sup>30</sup> Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever. The first thing they did was to tell Jesus about her. <sup>31</sup> Jesus went to her, took her hand, and helped her get up. The fever went away, and she prepared a meal for them.

13) How sick was Peter's mother-in-law?

14) Why do you think Jesus healed her?

15) What was her response to being healed?

16) What do we learn about serving from this?

**Matthew 7:12 (GW)** <sup>12</sup> "Always do for other people everything you want them to do for you. That is the meaning of Moses' Teachings and the Prophets.

17) What does this verse have to do with serving?

**1 Corinthians 12:4-6 (GW)** <sup>4</sup> There are different spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit gives them. <sup>5</sup> There are different ways of serving, and yet the same Lord is served. <sup>6</sup> There are different types of work to do, but the same God produces every gift in every person.

18) What does Paul compare in these verses?

19) What do we learn about serving God in these verses?

**Ephesians 4:11-12 (GW)** <sup>11</sup> He also gave apostles, prophets, missionaries, as well as pastors and teachers as gifts to his church. <sup>12</sup> Their purpose is to prepare God's people to serve and to build up the body of Christ.