

“Our Usefulness in Serving God”

Part 2

Romans 12:3-8

Intro: Our reasonable response of worship

Romans 12:1-2; 2 Cor. 11:3

1 Cor. 6:19-20; Phil. 1:21; 2:17

· Our usefulness starts there

“And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves. Our souls and bodies to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto thee”
(church of England)

· Our usefulness in serving God depends on 3 things

I. The proper attitude vs. 3

Phil. 2:5; 2 Cor. 5:9

• Recognize grace

Eph. 3:7; 1 Tim. 1:12-14

1 Cor. 3:10; 15:10; Rom. 12:6

• Think rightly about yourself

Luke 8:35; Romans 12:16; Phil. 2:3

Gal. 6:3; 1 Cor. 12:15-16, 21

• Recognize God sovereignly bestows your ability to serve.

1 Cor. 4:7; 1 Peter 4:11

Eph. 4:7, 11-13, 16

II. The proper relationship vs. 4-6a

Col. 1:2; 1 Thess. 1:2-4

- Many members one body vs. 4a
1 Cor. 12:12-14, 27
Eph. 4:4
- Members do not have the same function 4b
Eph. 2:19-22; 4:16
Col. 1:18, 2:19
- Members one of another vs. 5
1 Cor. 10:17; 12:15-27; Romans 8:29
Eph. 4:25; John 20:17; Heb. 2:11
Matt. 12:50; 28:10
- Grace gifts that differ vs. 6a
1 Cor. 1:5-7; 7:7; 12:4
1 Peter 4:10-11

II. The proper service vs. 6-8

- Each of us is to exercise them accordingly