

# INSIGNIFICANT

**Becoming less**





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- **Serving in love**
- **A humble heart**
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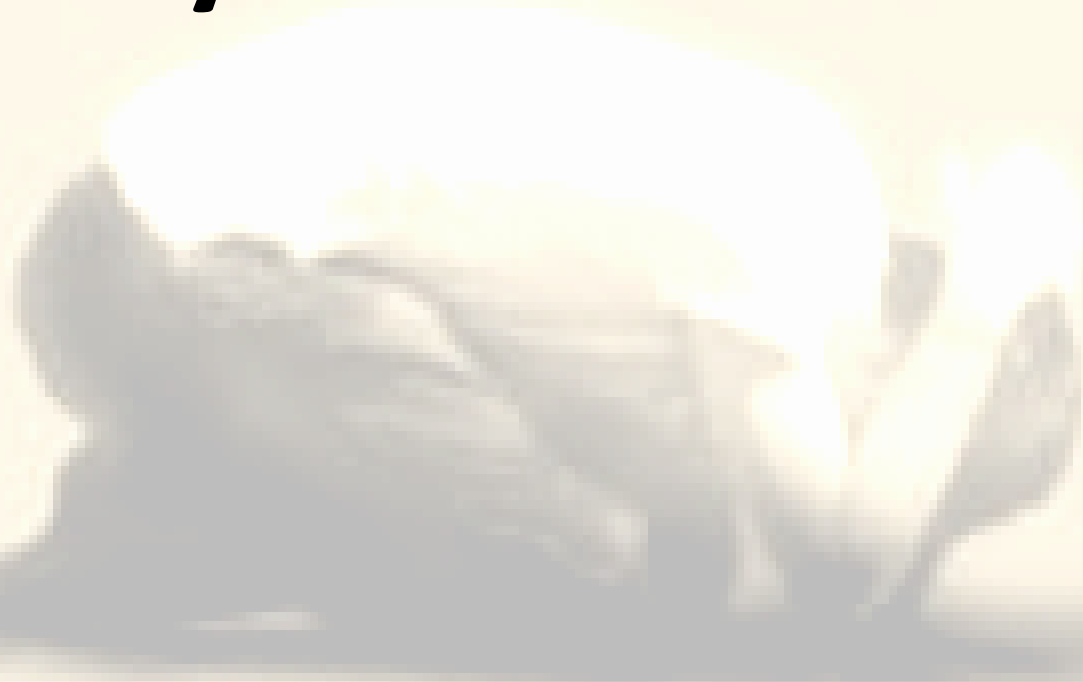
# A living sacrifice

## Romans 12:1-2

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, **in view of God's mercy**, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

<sup>2</sup>Do **not conform to the pattern of this world**, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

**Why do we serve?**



# Serving in love

## Mark 10:43-45

Instead, whoever wants to become **great** among you **must be your servant**,<sup>44</sup> and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup> For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

# Serving in love

## Galatians 5:13

<sup>13</sup> You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; **rather, serve one another humbly in love.**

# A humble heart

## Roman times:

A **Bondservant** or **slave**, in most cases referred to a permanent position of servitude.

## **Hebrew** word for bondservant:

The mosaic Law allowed an indentured servant to become a bondservant voluntarily



# A humble heart

## Exodus 21:5-6

<sup>5</sup> “But if the servant declares, ‘I love my master and my wife and children and do not want to go free,’ <sup>6</sup> then his master must take him before the judges. He shall take him to the door or the doorpost and pierce his ear with an awl. Then he will be his servant for life.



# A humble heart

## **Servants:**

**Abraham** – Genesis 26:24

**Moses** – Numbers 12:7

**Joshua** – Joshua 24:29

**David** – 2 Samuel 7:5

**Isaiah** – Isaiah 20:3

**Jesus** – Isaiah 53:11

**Who is the Holy Spirit?**



# Holy Spirit

## Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is **love, joy, peace, forbearance** (longsuffering), **kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness** and **self-control**. Against such things there is no law.

