



**THE MIX**  
**Part Three – The God Who Golden Rules**  
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*“Here is a simple, rule-of-thumb guide for behavior: Ask yourself what you want people to do for you, then grab the initiative and do it for them.” Matthew 7:12 MSG*

*“I truly delight in God’s commands, but it’s pretty obvious that not all of me joins in that delight. Parts of me covertly rebel, and just when I least expect it, they take charge.” Romans 7:22-23 MSG*

\_\_\_\_\_ FROM HEAVEN COMES INTO THE MIX.

*“Think of yourselves the way Christ Jesus thought of himself. He had equal status with God but didn’t think so much of himself that he had to cling to the advantages of that status no matter what. Not at all. When the time came, he set aside the privileges of deity and took on the status of a slave, became human! Having become human, he stayed human. It was an incredibly humbling process. He didn’t claim special privileges. Instead, he lived a selfless, obedient life and then died a selfless, obedient death—and the worst kind of death at that—a crucifixion. Because of that obedience, God lifted him high and honored him far beyond anyone or anything.”*

*Philippians 2:5-9 MSG*

**WHEN THE TIME CAME...**

THERE WAS A \_\_\_\_\_ ( “status with God” )

THERE WAS A \_\_\_\_\_ ( “he set aside” )

THERE WAS A \_\_\_\_\_ ( “he took on” )

THERE WAS A \_\_\_\_\_ ( “humbling ... death” )

THERE WAS A \_\_\_\_\_ ( “lifted high/honored” )

\_\_\_\_\_ OF HEAVEN FOR GOD’S PEOPLE IN THE MIX.

*“A dispute also arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest. Jesus said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors. But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.” Luke 22:24-27 NIV*

NEW \_\_\_\_\_ IN CHRIST ( being = behaving )

NEW \_\_\_\_\_ IN CHRIST ( ruling = serving )

NEW \_\_\_\_\_ WITH OTHERS ( presence = purpose)

\_\_\_\_\_ OF HEAVEN THAT FREES US TO SEE AND SERVE.

*As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." Matthew 3:16-17 NIV*

SEE THE FATHER \_\_\_\_\_ HIS RELATIONSHIP OVER HIS SON

SEE THE SPIRIT \_\_\_\_\_ THE HEART OF THE FATHER & SON

SEE THE SON \_\_\_\_\_ LOVE/BLESSING FROM THE FATHER

SEE THE SON \_\_\_\_\_ OTHERS IN THE MIX

(Matthew 4:17-28:50)

FREELY RECEIVING IGNITES FREELY SERVING

\_\_\_\_\_ ACCEPT HIS BLESSING AND RESPOND TO HIM.

*"The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children." Romans 8:15-16 NIV*

\_\_\_\_\_ DEFINE YOURSELF BY HIS ACCEPTANCE ALONE.

*"In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us." Romans 8:37 NIV*

*"There is no room in love for fear. Well-formed love banishes fear. Since fear is crippling, a fearful life—fear of death, fear of judgment—is one not yet fully formed in love." 1 John 4:18 MSG*

\_\_\_\_\_ SERVE OTHERS IN THE MIX OF YOUR LIFE

*"It is absolutely clear that God has called you to a free life. Just make sure that you don't use this freedom as an excuse to do whatever you want to do and destroy your freedom. Rather, use your freedom to serve one another in love; that's how freedom grows. For everything we know about God's Word is summed up in a single sentence: Love others as you love yourself. That's an act of true freedom. If you bite and ravage each other, watch out—in no time at all you will be annihilating each other, and where will your precious freedom be then? My counsel is this: Live freely, animated and motivated by God's Spirit. Then you won't feed the compulsions of selfishness." Galatians 5:13-16 MSG*

READY TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS BETTER?

GOD NEEDS TO \_\_\_\_\_

YOU NEED TO \_\_\_\_\_

THE SPIRIT NEEDS TO \_\_\_\_\_

GOD PROMISES \_\_\_\_\_

FILL-INS

THE SERVANT  
CONNECTION TO GOD  
NO TO SELF  
YES TO GOD  
LOSS ON EARTH  
GAIN IN HEAVEN

THE DESIRE  
IDENTITY  
AUTHORITY  
OPPORTUNITY

THE EXPERIENCE  
DECLARING  
UNITING  
RECEIVING  
FREELY SERVING

OPENLY  
INWARDLY  
FREELY

SAY WHAT HE NEEDS TO SAY  
RECEIVE AND BELIEVE WHAT HE HAS TO SAY  
UNITE MY HEART WITH GOD'S HEART  
NEW POWER TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS