# **Priceless**

# Ready:

"So if anyone purifies himself from anything dishonorable, he will be a special instrument, set apart, useful to the Master, prepared for every good work." -- 2 Timothy 2:21

#### Set

Since 1997, MasterCard has received hundreds of awards for their catchy ad campaign featuring the slogan "Priceless."

As Christians, I think the slogan for our relationships with Christ should be "Serving Is Priceless." Most people think that *serving* is the same thing as *service*. I believe there is a huge difference between the two. Christ did not come to give good service; He came to serve.

As an athlete, I am not supposed to give good service to my teammates — I am to serve them. As a coach, I serve my team; I do not provide the players a service. Service is something you pay for or something you expect. But serving involves sacrifice and meeting real needs.

Christ desires that we become servants to our teammates, friends, family and communities. He has set us apart for a great work. We are His instruments!

Today, it seems like everyone in the sports world wants to be a leader, not a servant. Jesus never told us to be leaders, but He did tell us to be servants. To be a leader you must serve, and this is my challenge to you today. Fulfill Christ's calling on your life and become a servant!

## Go

- On a scale of 1 to 5, how well are you serving others (teammates, coaches, friends, family)?
- In what ways can you serve in each of these areas?

### Workout

Ephesians 2:10

2 Timothy 2:14-21

#### **Overtime**

"Lord, teach me how to serve. My teammates and friends need to see what Jesus looks like. I pray that when I serve, they will be able to see You. Amen."



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