

Self Righteous Service vs. True Service

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Self-righteous comes through human effort.
True service comes from a relationship with God.

Self-righteous service is impressed with the "big deal."
True service finds it almost impossible to distinguish the small from the large service.

Self-righteous service requires external rewards.
True service rest contented in hiddenness.

Self-righteous service is highly concerned about results.
True service is free of the need to calculate results.

Self-righteous service picks and choose whom to serve.
True service is indiscriminate in its ministry.

Self-righteous service is affected by moods and whims.
True service ministers simply and faithfully because there is a need.

Self-righteous service is temporary.
True service is lifestyle.

Self-righteous service is without sensitivity.
True service can withhold the service as freely as perform it.

Self-righteous service fractures community.
True service, one other hand, build community.