

## Do Good-Serve

If you were on your deathbed but received a chance to come alive again, what would your  $1^{\rm st}$  move be?

Matthew 8:14-15 Mark 1:29-31 Luke 4:38-39

"As soon as they left the synagogue, they went into Simon and Andrew's house with James and John. Simon's mother-in-law was lying in bed with a fever, and they told Him about her at once. So, Jesus went to her, took her by the hand and raised her up. The fever left her, and she began to serve them." (CSB)

As soon as Jesus heals her, she serves.

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"ένείρω" – to raise up, to wake.

And in response to this gift of a new life, she serves.

"διακονέω" – to wait on, to serve, to help.

"[...] whoever wants to become great among you will be your servant, and whoever wants to be first among you will be a slave to all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve [...]" (CSB)

The healing of Peter's mother-in-law teaches us that in the Kingdom of God, serving is always the 1st move.

God is "the One whose service is perfect freedom." - 1662 Anglican Book of Common Prayer

What deathbed had Jesus raised you up from?

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All scriptures referenced are from the New International Version (NIV) translation of the Bible unless otherwise indicated.