# Serving for *Influence*

1. Christ is the model (Philippians 2:3-8)
2. Pretty tough to serve unless…
   - You love Jesus
   - You love people
   - You have strong convictions to serve (see sidebar, "Forming Convictions.")
3. Why serve?
   - Jesus did (Mark 10:45)
   - He expects us to (John 13:13-17)
   - It moves hearts.
     - This is not "I scratch your back so you'll scratch mine."
     - We serve for Jesus' sake (2 Cor. 4:5), to influence people for His kingdom.
       a. Believers--to build up (1 Thess. 5:11, 14-15)
       b. Non-believers--to win to Christ (1 Cor. 9:19-23)

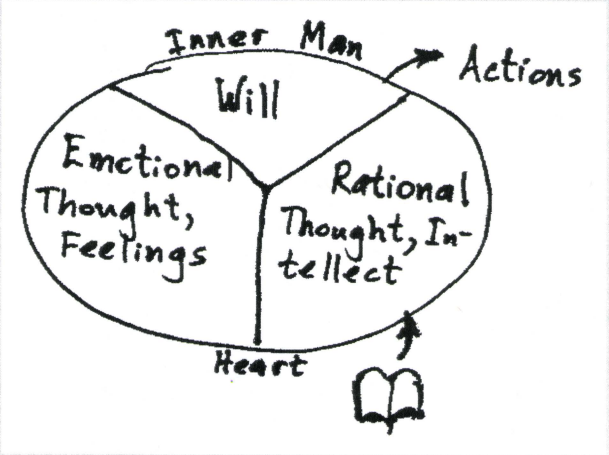
*Serve*--To act as a servant or to render assistance; be of use; help

"You'll find out what kind of servant you are by how you respond when you are treated like one."

*-- Lorne Sanny, 2nd president of the Navigators*

**NOTES:**

## *Forming Convictions:*




1. Inform the intellect with truth
2. Train the will (it arbitrates between feelings and intellect); set your heart.