God has commanded us to serve others. He's given us this beautiful and wonderful task of loving everyone we come into contact with. The Bible says that Jesus himself didn't come to be great, but to be a servant. As I look around at our world and try to determine how that should look in our lives, I am daily humbled by the opportunities we miss. There are many things that we can do to serve our families, friends, school and community that we can do every day.

Teach them that serving is a commandment......What it means to be a servant.

There are many things that God asks us to do in response to our love for Him. One of them is serving others. We are not required to do these things in order to be saved. Rather, it is our natural desire to want to obey God as a result of what He has done for us. Even if serving others doesn't feel natural to us, we are called to do it! In fact, God specifically gifts us with talents and abilities SO THAT we can serve others. We see this truth in 1 Peter...

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace. 1 Peter 4:10

God's gifts of grace come in many forms. Each of you has received a gift in order to serve others. You should use it faithfully. If you speak, you should do it like one speaking God's very words. If you serve, you should do it with the strength God provides. Then in all things God will be praised through Jesus Christ. NIRV 1 Peter 4:10-11

Serve one another in love. Galatians 5:13

Serving is a great way to put other's needs first and really show God's love through kindness. Now we are going to serve the church by helping clean it up. This church is very kind to let us using their facility every week for school so we are going to help clean up. Our task is.....

After: Everyone did a great job helping clean. What are some ways that you can help serve your family, friends, or community this week?