



# Daily Reflections

**November 14, 2017**

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## Scripture

### **Luke 17: 7-10**

Jesus said to the Apostles:

"Who among you would say to your servant  
who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field,  
'Come here immediately and take your place at table'?

Would he not rather say to him,  
'Prepare something for me to eat.

Put on your apron and wait on me while I eat and drink.

You may eat and drink when I am finished'?

Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded?

So should it be with you.

When you have done all you have been commanded, say,

'We are unprofitable servants;

we have done what we were obliged to do.'"

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## Our Scripture Reflection

Our society has no shortage of super-sized egos. Therefore, Jesus' words may be deemed offensive by many: "When you have done all you have been commanded, say 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do' " In other words, we were created to be servants not CEOs of the Kingdom. We need to live like it!

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**Food for your Journey**

Sometimes, our thirst to applaud and give recognition becomes bizarre. Catherine Walsh, writing about the Jonesboro, Arkansas, school shootings, reports: "When shooting started in the schoolyard of Westside Middle School in Jonesboro, Arkansas, on March 24, some students thought the popping sound was just noise from nearby construction, reported the New York Times (3/29). 'And even as people fell, others thought it was a drama group acting out a play and eerily, began applauding,' the newspaper said."

--America, "Perspectives," April 18,

1998, 5.

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## **A Prayer from the Heart**

Dear Jesus, In the midst of my arrogance, humble me and help to realize that I was created and called to imitate You, Who came not to be served but to serve. Amen.