

WoL 11

**“The greatest among you
will be your servant.”**

(Mt 23:11)

Jesus told the crowd that those who want to be his disciples have to follow a way of life that goes against the common mentality. It is a totally new way of acting.

In fact, “serving” is the way that Christians show their love for others.



TO SERVE

What is the best way to serve?

To answer this, Chiara Lubich shared her own personal experience:

“We have to fix our gaze on the one Father of many children. Then look at all people as sons and daughters of that one Father...”

Jesus is our model in doing this and he taught us two things which are actually just one: **Be children of one Father and be brothers and sisters to one another.**

God calls us to aim at **making the whole world one family.**”



WHAT'S NEW

Love everyone as Jesus did, because everyone is a child of God, just like you, just like me. God loves each and every person on earth and always waits for them to come to him.

We will discover that every person we meet during the day is someone to be loved in concrete ways, even using our physical strength - our muscles!

SHARE

“Make ourselves one” with each person we meet, feeling what they are feeling in that moment. Help them resolve any problem they have as if it were our own. In fact, it is ours if we love them! So we shouldn't think only of ourselves, but try to share their joys and listen to their doubts and difficulties.



EXPERIENCE

Hermes, a teenager from the Middle East, says: “It was Sunday and as soon as I woke up I asked Jesus to show me how I could love all day long.

I realized that my parents had gone to church and so I got the idea of cleaning up the house. I tried to do it very well, paying attention to each detail. I even put flowers on the table! Then I prepared the breakfast and set everything out, ready for us to eat. When they got home, my parents were really surprised and happy! They were amazed at what they found. We all enjoyed having breakfast together and were happier than we had ever been! We talked about a lot of things and I was able to tell them all my experiences from the past week.

That little act of love had given a beautiful touch to our whole day!”