

# Service Wherever

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I had a dream the other night that my family and I were trying out restaurants here where we've moved to and every restaurant that we went to, there was something askew.

For instance, one restaurant, everything looked really good when we got there, but as they took us to our table in the back (because we have more than 4 people) we started to step on more and more trash, first little bits of paper, than wrappers, than full on garbage, empty cups, containers, etc.

As I looked around, I noticed my children looking at me like "uh oh, what's momma gonna do" – I simply said - go get some brooms and paper towels and cleaner. Together, we cleaned that place up, I swept and the girls wiped down everything and when we were done, we didn't even stay to eat, but we left not expecting anything in return and the restaurants never noticed us..... right away.

The next restaurant had messy tables, we cleaned the tables off and then sat down and just talked with the owners and drank water.

The next restaurant, we again swept the floors and just threw away a bunch of trash. Each place that we went to, it seemed they were soooo busy and in desperate need.

What is the Lord showing me? Well, I'm glad you asked! I believe He's still unfolding things but because my family is a "helps" family – where we like to help other people, I believe the Lord was showing me that He is going to use our acts of kindness and service to show Jesus to the community as we are out and about, to not be afraid to do what comes naturally to us for fear that we may offend someone but to do it because it's in our heart to do so and allow the Lord to do the rest.

**Colossians 3:23-24 - Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, <sup>24</sup> knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.**

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