

Recently, as I spent an entire day in back-to-back readings for people, I saw an interesting trend. I would guess about a third of the people I saw that day had one thing in common, each one of them had a desperate need: a desperate need. Not a want, not a philosophical desire, but a need. I saw people's energies getting heavy and dark with the depression of a need unfulfilled. What is the need that so many seem to possess? Service.

How can you serve and still thrive in the mundane world of money? Personally, I don't think there is any one way to do that, but endless ways to do that. Some people are able to make a living while serving and some are not. One man I saw has been making his living as an engineer for many years, I clearly saw him traveling to an undeveloped nation and helping in several ways. If he uses his engineering skills, he can help build infrastructure in a place that really needs it. In the process of building that infrastructure he can also build community by combining what he knows of self-esteem building with mechanical building. He specifically wants to focus his attentions on empowering men. Men work well in community settings, building together. This man has the ability to help people fill three needs at once, a material resource of infrastructure, self-esteem while they raise their own community and connection with each other while they work together. That is a tremendous way to serve humanity. He originally thought he was supposed to give presentations and lectures and get men to come to workshops. That's an option but it's not likely to draw as many people as he would hope for or have the impact he's hoping for. Giving a presentation or workshop only affects those who care to listen and are open to the information presented. Those who participate in building their own community also build their own self-esteem whether they realize it or not. Building self-esteem is, I believe, the single most empowering thing anyone can do.

If you can give up the need to be recognized for the work you do, you can do great things. Being of service to humanity is what many of us are called to do at one time or another. I myself feel that calling and in my personal experience, being of service requires that I desire to actually be of service to others and I have to give up all rights to acknowledgment and gratitude from those I serve. If my work ever becomes about me, more than it is about serving, I will not succeed.

I believe this trend of service is a marker, or sign if you will, that humanity is on the move to change. We want to give of ourselves in ways we haven't done before. Changes in our need to serve may have far-reaching, global impact, as in the case of the man I mentioned. If more of us are ready to put service higher on our priority list, we can't help but see changes that benefit everyone.