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**(Matthew 7:24-25)** Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house...

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1. Have you ever thought about what it means to *serve* God?
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We unify as **SERVANTS OF THE KING.**

**If we fail to serve the King, we will...**

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It’s an honor to **FOLLOW JESUS.**

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