



Humble Service Changes the World

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Behind any great [movement](#) are sacrificial [partners](#) engaged in [humble service](#)

[Subtle Superstars:](#) Movements that change the world are advanced through the subtle superstars, not through the superstars. Not advanced through those in the front, but those behind the scenes.

Philippians 2:25-30

25 But I think it is necessary to send back to you Epaphroditus, my brother, co-worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger, whom you sent to take care of my needs. 26 For he longs for all of you and is distressed because you heard he was ill. 27 Indeed he was ill, and almost died. But God had mercy on him, and not on him only but also on me, to spare me sorrow upon sorrow. 28 Therefore I am all the more eager to send him, so that when you see him again you may be glad and I may have less anxiety. 29 So then, welcome him in the Lord with great joy, and honor people like him, 30 because he almost died for the work of Christ. He risked his life to make up for the help you yourselves could not give me.

5 Characteristics of Subtle Superstars

1. People see you as part of something [greater than yourself](#)

Philippians 2:25

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2. You [care](#) more about [others](#) than you do [yourself](#)

Philippians 2:26

26 For he longs for all of you and is distressed because you heard he was ill.

3. If something happens to you, people know that would **be a huge loss**

Philippians 2:27

27 Indeed he was ill, and almost died. But God had mercy on him, and not on him only but also on me, to spare me sorrow upon sorrow.

4. People **celebrate** and **honor** you

Philippians 2: 28-29

28 Therefore I am all the more eager to send him, so that when you see him again you may be glad and I may have less anxiety. 29 So then, welcome him in the Lord with great joy, and honor people like him,

5. You **give your life** for the cause of Christ

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Philippians 2:30

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Takeaways:

- You **mirror** your **master**
- The **importance** of the **mission** determines the **intensity** of your **service**
- A **movement** only goes as far as its **movers**

Three Areas of Service:

- Necessity Areas- children, youth, parking, greeting, outreach
- Nurturing Areas- small groups, classes, and food pantry, etc.
- Natural Areas- leading a small group, lay counseling, hospitality, etc.

God wants to do immeasurably more than we can ask or imagine.

Are you a Subtle Superstar?