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2 Corinthians 5:15



Volunteer Highlight: Richard

Richard has been attending Mariners since April 2016. He joined a Rooted group in Fall 2016 and served with them for the first time at the Resource Center. Since then, he's continued to serve in any ministry that has a need whether it's playing sports with the kids at the Lighthouse Community Center, greeting guests during Christmas services or gathering food for the pantry; wherever God tells him to go, he goes. "I have the need to give, share and love," he said. "Jesus transformed me and now it comes naturally."

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PRAYER

If you're in need of prayer, our prayer team is available at the **front of the Worship Center** after every service. To submit a prayer request online, email **prayer@marinerschurch.org**

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We're so glad you're here! Our mission is to inspire people to follow Jesus and fearlessly change the world. If this is your first time here, we'd love to meet you! Here are your next steps:

- Visit the **Welcome Center** on the patio to find ways to get connected and opportunities to serve.
- Text CONNECT to 949.267.3131
- Attend our **New to Mariners** class to meet our pastors, learn who we are and how to get involved.

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THE SELF-DESTRUCTION OF SELF-ABSORPTION 1 CORINTHIANS 13:5

All of the things I did, I did for me. I liked it. I was good at it. And I was alive. [Walter White to his wife, Skyler] Some time later, he [Samson] fell in love with a woman named Delilah, who lived in the Sorek Valley. The Philistine leaders went to her and said, "Persuade him to tell you where his great strength comes from, so we can overpower him, tie him up, and make him helpless. Each of us will then give you 1,100 pieces of silver." Judges 16:4-5

1) Self-absorption results in self-destruction of relationships.

If I speak human or angelic tongues but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith so that I can move mountains but do not have love, I am nothing. And if I give away all my possessions, and if I give over my body in order to boast but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. Love does not envy, is not boastful, is not arrogant, is not rude, **is not self-seeking**... 1 Corinthians 13:1-5

2) Christ-centeredness is the only way to overcome self-centeredness.

Self-seeking	Selfless
Impatient	Patient
Cruel	Kind
Envious	Generous, Content
Boastful	Modest
Arrogant	Humble
Rude	Respectful

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