A Passion for God—A Passion to Serve Him Charles Stanley

I. Introduction.
A. Jesus sought to serve and said that God would reward those who served Him. (John 12:26)
B. God has foreordained that every believer would be a servant. (Ephesians 2)
C. Serving God should be a lifestyle.
D. Text: II Corinthians 11.
E. Paul was willing to suffer because he had a passion to serve Christ.
II. What should motivate us to serve God.
A. Gratitude for the death of Christ for our sins.
B. A conviction of God's call.
C. A vision of God's great purpose in Christ.
D. A desire to invest our lives in something that has eternal value.
E. A passion to glorify God.
III. Things that will be a part of a person if he is a true servant of God.
A. He will seek God's will and not his own.
B. He will serve God according to his gifts and not his talents.
C. He will serve God in God's power and not his own. (Luke 24)
D. He will focus on God and not on the work.
Application questions:
1. Which motivation for service stands out to you? What strikes you about it?
2. Which characteristic of the true servant do you think is most important? Explain.

3. How will you commit yourself to serving this week in a provable and practical way? Expla	ain