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The Servant Leader Covenant

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2 Timothy 2:24-26 (NIV)

**This covenant is created as a spiritual guide for
Servant Leaders of the Lord, Jesus Christ.**

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"So that Servant Leaders may utilize the resources I am blessed to have today rather than starting with what I began my ministry in 1995."

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Biblical Precepts for Servants of the Lord

2 Tim 2:22- 26, James 3:9-18, James 4:1-3, 1 Corinthians 13:5, & Psalm 141:3

As a Servant of the Lord, I covenant that, in my home and ministry life,...

1. I will pursue righteousness, faith, love, along with those who call on the Lord (2 Tim 2:22)
2. I will not engage in foolish arguments and start arguments and quarrels (2 Tim 2:23) understanding that the cause of all arguments is the desire to have what we do not have; the things we covet and desire, but are unable to obtain. (James 4:1-3)
3. I will be kind to everyone even those who may be unkind to me. (2 Tim 2:24)
4. When I sense a feeling of resentment growing within me, I will pray about the situation and attempt to resolve the issue. (2: Tim 2:24)
5. I will be forgiving and will not hold grudges against others. (2 Tim 2:24)
6. I will not be rude when confronting others, but will be gentle in my instruction and correction of others and do so through and in love. (2 Tim 2:25)
7. I will not hold any record of wrongs. (1 Corn 13:5 and 2 Tim 2:22)
8. I will guard my tongue and watch my speech so that my words will not offend others even those who are offensive to me. (James 3:9-12)
9. I will continue to pray and ask the Lord to give me a humble spirit and to recognize that all that I accomplish comes from the Lord. (James 3:13)
10. I will ask the Lord to set a guard over my mouth and keep watch over the door of my lips. (Psalm 141:3)
11. When I feel envy, bitterness or selfish ambition growing in my heart I will pray and ask the Lord to remove it. (James 3:14)
12. I will strive to maintain an impartial attitude when engaging in disagreements and strive for peace in MY HOME, with the body of Christ, and in my community. (James 3:17-18)
13. If I fall short of this covenant and am unkind to anyone, in an effort to reconcile with them, I will first ask forgiveness from God and then, from those whom I have offended. (James 3:9-11)

Servant Leader Signature: _____ Date: _____
Home/Family Observer: _____ Date: _____
Pastor/Ministry Leader: _____ Date: _____

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SERVANT LEADER COVENANT SCRIPTURES

2 Timothy 2:22-26 (NIV): ²² Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. ²³ Don't have anything to do with foolish and stupid arguments, because you know they produce quarrels. ²⁴ And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful. ²⁵ Opponents must be gently instructed, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth, ²⁶ and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will.

James 3:9-18 (NIV): ⁹ With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. ¹⁰ Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be. ¹¹ Can both fresh water and saltwater flow from the same spring? ¹² My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water. ¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth. ¹⁵ Such "wisdom" does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶ For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice. ¹⁷ But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸ Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.

James 4:1-3 (NIV): ¹ What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? ² You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. ³ When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

1 Corinthians 13:5 (NIV): ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

Psalms 141:3 (NIV): Set a guard over my mouth, Lord; keep watch over the door of my lips.