

Service

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Guide

Red Text - “To Hell with Good Intentions.”

Blue Text - “Helping, Fixing, or Serving?”

Orange Text - “Sit down, Be Quiet, Pay Attention.”

What is “Service?”

“Sacrifice?” “Using?” “Helping?”

Let's brainstorm together.

Ivan Illich's Idea of Service

Motivations stem from **alienated feelings and concepts.**

Middle-class American “Do-gooders.”

Having **Good Intentions** isn't reason enough to travel.

“Institutional purpose.”

“The road to **hell** is paved
with ‘**good intentions.**’”

Rachel Naomi Remen's Idea of Service

“Fixing and helping create a distance between people, but we cannot serve at a distance. We can only serve that to which we are profoundly connected.”

Helping, Fixing and Service in Life

Helping and **fixing** - from the ego

- Doing while thinking something is weak or broken but can be repaired

Service - from the soul

- No thinking, just doing

Robert L. Sigmon's Idea of Service

“Sit Down. Be Quiet. Pay Attention:”

Listen to the community and the faculty to best serve them.

Service and “**using**” the community to gain experience.

Both sides are **serve** and **listen** to each other.

“We often talk about “**using**” the community and agencies for students to gain experience, explore a career path,...”

In recent times, has the
idea and practice of service
learning changed?

Why is **community service**
necessary? Are you “**using**”
your community service, or
are you “**serving**” the
community?

**What are some of the
differences between
Japanese and American
views of “Service?”**

Can you imagine a plan where not only the students you are helping at CPY **learn**, but that you yourselves, the instructors, and the CPY staff also **learn** together?

Illich's Social Group Identity vs Service

God's Will

Austrian philosopher, roman catholic priest, and “**maverick social critic.**”

People are **blind** to issues running rampant within their own countries.

Imposes the **American** way of life.

“**Benevolent invaders.**”

Create more **issues** for the country than solving them.

Positive ideas try to overshadow issues of **class** and **race.**

Sigmon's Social Group Identity vs Service

Made a career in creating **experiential learning** and **service learning** programs.

Focused in on the **service learners** themselves.

Also focuses on service learner **professors/instructors**.

Wants them to **serve** the community and not just **use** it.

Rachel Naomi Remen's Social Group Identity vs Service

Physician as well as patient.

To fellow physicians: be true to your commitment to **serve** life.

To patients: **serve** to make a difference with life's potential.

Are we “benevolent
invaders?” In what ways
are CIASP and CPY similar?

What are your thoughts on
the author's views on
helping, fixing, and service?

According to the **author's definitions**, have there been times where you intended to serve, but ended up **helping or fixing?**

What stood out to you in the article? Anything that you particularly liked?