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The same thing applies to serving. At some point we decide that for our own spiritual health and in obedience to the Biblical mandate to help people in need, we better serve regularly. After that it becomes a lifestyle--something we don't even think about anymore. It makes us feel uneasy if we haven't served someone for a prolonged period of time. When do we stop serving? Revelation 7:15 says, "For this reason, they are before the throne of God; and they serve Him day and night in His temple." Apparently the answer to that question is **never**.



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