

Drones and Ciphers

by Thomas Brooks

Thomas Brooks' sermon 'Drones and Ciphers' calls Christians to serve others selflessly, reflecting Christ's humility in a selfish world.

Scripture: Philippians 2:4

Topics: "Humility", "Service to Others"

Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes the Christian duty to serve others, contrasting the self-centeredness prevalent in society with the selflessness exemplified by Christ. He critiques those who prioritize their own interests at the expense of others, likening them to 'drones and ciphers' who contribute nothing meaningful to the community. Brooks calls for a shift in attitude, urging believers to adopt a mindset of humility and service, as instructed in Philippians 2:4-5 and 1 Peter 5:5.

Transcript

Does the bee gather honey for itself?

Does the sheep yield wool for itself?

"Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus." Philippians 2:4-5

Every Christian is bound to serve others. A narrow, a selfish-spirited man is a shame to his creation, because he walks so contrary to the great intendment of God in it.

It is base and unworthy--for a man to make himself the center of all his actions. That man sins against the very law of his being--who is swallowed up in his own private interests.

This age is full of drones and ciphers, and of selfish, lifeless men--who look at nothing, who design nothing, who aim at nothing, and who endeavor nothing--but how to elevate themselves, and greaten themselves, and enrich themselves, and build up themselves--though it be upon other's ruins! How many are there who are so swallowed up in their own interests and private concerns, that they care not whether others sink or swim! "What!" they say, "Shall we leave our ease, our pleasure, our profits--to serve others? We cannot do it! We will never do it!"

"All of you, serve each other in humility." 1 Peter 5:5

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