



## *The One Thing* {Jeff Henderson}

### INTRODUCTION

“What do you want to accomplish by the time you’re 40, 50, 60...?” You can answer that question one of two ways. You can hope to *have* something – a wife, a family, a successful career. Or you can hope to *be* something – a great husband, a great mom, a wise steward, an influential entrepreneur. Jesus articulates for us the One Thing that keeps us from sacrificing who we want to be in our quest to get what we want to have.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. “If you can get what you want to have, you’ll become what you want to be.” Do you agree or disagree?
2. Is it possible to do charitable work and expect nothing in return?
3. How has your life, or the life of someone you know, been impacted by those who volunteer to serve on Sunday mornings?
4. Where have you volunteered in a church environment in the past? What was your experience?
5. Read Matthew 6:33. What does it look like for you to seek first God’s kingdom?
6. Where in the church do you plan to invest your time this year?

### THINK ABOUT IT

Often, the primary pushback to volunteering at church is time. “I don’t have enough time.” And that response is usually a reflection of our desire to *have* something rather than to *be* something. What we need is a barrier in our schedule that will remind us to focus on the One Thing – seek the kingdom. For we will never know what the Church can do for you until you understand what the Church can do through you.

### WHAT WILL YOU DO?

Logon to [www.buckheadchurch.org/strategic-service](http://www.buckheadchurch.org/strategic-service) and sign up to volunteer.

### CHANGING YOUR MIND

*But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be give to you as well.*  
Matthew 6:33