See a Need, Fill a Need



Opportunities are everywhere! There are those who are struggling and need your help, there are things in chaos that you can put in order. Being able to see these kinds of needs and fill them is truly heroic!

1 Nephi 4:6

And I was <u>led by the Spiri</u>t, not knowing beforehand <u>the things which I</u> should do.

A person who can see a need and fill a need is truly heroic. To look beyond yourself, and beyond what is expected of you, takes godly character traits like initiative and compassion.

Initiative

Having initiative is recognizing and doing what needs to be done before you are asked to do it.

D&C 58:27-28

Verily I say, men should be anxiously engaged in a good cause, and <u>do</u> <u>many things of their own free will</u>, and <u>bring to pass much righteousness</u>; For the power is in them, wherein they are agents unto themselves. And inasmuch as men do good they shall in nowise lose their reward.

A list of needs would be endless, but just to get you thinking, consider these:

- *Emotional needs of others, maybe they need a friend to talk to or someone to cheer them up.
- *If there's work around the house or any place you are, be the one to do whatever needs to be done.
- *Lift another's burden, you may join them in their work or offer to take over what someone is struggling to do.

The important thing is to observe the world around you and look for opportunities. They are everywhere!

Compassion

When you have compassion you sense what others are feeling or experiencing and are motivated to do something to help them.

Jude 1:22

And of some have <u>compassion</u>, <u>making a difference</u>.

Mosiah 4:16

And also, ye yourselves <u>will succor those that stand in need</u> of your succor; ye will <u>administer of your substance unto him that standeth in need</u>; and ye will not suffer that the beggar putteth up his petition to you in vain, and turn him out to perish.

Remember the story that Jesus told of the good Samaritan, it was compassion that lead him to stop and care for someone who was in need. The Lord exemplified this parable in His own life as He went about doing good. He teaches us to be like this.

Service



See a Need Fill a Need is all about service. This kind of service feels really good because you are choosing to make a difference for good.

Mosiah 2:17

And behold, I tell you these things that ye may learn wisdom; that ye may learn that when ye are in the service of your fellow beings ye are only in the service of your God.

Our High Commander Jesus is a servant leader, just like Him you will be become a great leader through serving others.

Matthew 20:2-28

And whosoever will be chief among you, <u>let him be your servant: Even as</u> the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many..

Pray for opportunities to serve, and the Lord will show you the needs that you can fill. Service is amazing because as you are working with the Lord to fill needs, He gives promptings through His Spirit. Responding to God's call to serve, you will become someone that He can count on and He will bless you.

Blessings

It has been said that if you are depressed, or if you stand in need, serve. The more you serve the better you feel and the more you will see blessings happening in your own life.

Matthew 25:34-40

Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, <u>ye blessed</u> of my Father, <u>inherit the kingdom</u> prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungered, and <u>ye gave me meat</u>: I was thirsty, and <u>ye gave me drink</u>: I was a stranger, and <u>ye took me in</u>: Naked, and <u>ye clothed me</u>: I was sick, and <u>ye visited me</u>: I was in prison, and <u>ye came unto me</u>. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch <u>as ye have done</u> it unto one of the least of these my brethren, <u>ye have done it unto me</u>.

The service that you give is greatly appreciated by the Lord. If you can think of every person that you serve as God's child, you will soon come to realize the love that He has for them. In fact, He loves and cares for them so much that He feels the gratitude for your service just as if you were serving Him.

See a Need, Fill a Need Hero Printable Posters

William Wilburforce saw a great need to stop the cruel slave trade. He devoted his life, and sacrificed his health to make it happen. After many years of struggle, he was victorious.

Mother Teresa was filled with compassion when she saw the suffering of so many. She met the needs of the poorest of the poor and spent her life in their service.

Queen Esther knew that the Jewish people in her kingdom needed her help or they would all be killed. She took the initiative and risked her life to save them.

Jesus Christ exemplified having compassion for others and meeting their needs. He went about doing good, healing the sick, causing the blind to see and raising the dead.

These posters can inspire you to see a need, fill a need like real Heroes from the past.