

Series: Simply Jesus

Title: Jesus Taught Us How to Serve in Love

Text: (John 13:1-30)

(Ch 13-18) happens in the space of evening

(Explain when we are in Passion Week)

Palm Sunday, Cleansing the Temple,

He has held court for a couple days. 1 Last Witness.

It is Tuesday, not Thursday.

Jesus is not Crucified on Friday

According to (Lev 23) the “preparation of the Passover” did not mean the day before the seventh-day sabbath but rather a special day of the week.

1st & 7th day were sabbaths/ or Holy Convocations.

Jesus sent 2 disciples into town.

MK 14:13; LK 22:10 Man with a pitcher of water.

1 Now before the feast of the passover,

8 day celebration of their deliverance from Egypt.

Passover was be killed on Wednesday before Sundown.

While Jesus hung on the cross, the Passover was killed.

when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father,

Divine Timing:

There was a day/hour when Jesus would die.

(Jn 2:4; Jn 7:6,30) His Hour/Time has not Come/yet.
5 times in the book of John the Jews tried “*take him*”
No One was going to force it upon Him: (Jn 11:9-10)

having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.

Jesus Loved them w/o end.

Illus: I Love Spring Cleaning - ie. divesting!

Broken, Damaged, Problem, Misfit things.

If I haven't used it in a year, I won't!

Jesus is not like us:

Jesus does not throw away damaged things.

Jesus does not throw away problem things.

(Jn 6:37)*him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out*

Divine Timing: *Jesus knew that his hour was come*

All Things were set, the Betrayal, the guards, payment.

Father's plan for redemption of mankind was in motion.

There was still time for a bible lesson or 2.

2 And supper being ended, (Not THE Passover meal, but supper as part of the 8 day celebration) the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;

Up till this point, Satan has only been using thoughts to influence Judas.

(Eph 6:16) *the fiery darts of the wicked.* - Thoughts Satan & his minions use psychological warfare to influence us.

God the holy Spirit would never make suggestions contrary to God's Word.

Suicide, Discouragement, Bitterness, Wrath, Malice, etc

(Jn 16:13) *Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.*

So that Thought, you thought you thought...
(2 Cor 10:3-5) Strongholds, casting down, ETC.

27 And after the sop Satan entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, That thou doest, do quickly.

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(Eph 4:26-27) *Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: 27 Neither give place to the devil.*

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Pictures, or videos, or Funny Kid faces catch our attention, pulls us in, brings our minds captive.

We must do the same thing with our THOUGHTS
MAKE SWIPING MOTION & Say MOTHER in LAW

Swipe past ANYTHING that Exalt itself against the knowledge of God.

i.e. Anything that is contrary to God's word need to be swiped away.

3 Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God;

(John 10:27-29) *Pluck them from my Father's hand.*

(John 17:11-12) *none of them is lost.*

(John 18:9) *That the saying might be fulfilled, which he spake, Of them which thou gavest me have I lost none.*

4 He riseth from supper, & laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. 5 After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe *them* with the towel wherewith he was girded. Large towel or apron. Washing feet is for the lowest servant int he house. (Phil 2:7-8) *the form of a servant.*

Jesus Models Biblical/Divine Love through Humility

Selfless humility is the sole of love.

Love in its purest form is completely unselfish.

Bible love is indifferent to personal gain.

Biblical Love has no interest in personal satisfaction or personal fulfillment.

First Corinthian 13, *“love seeketh not it's own”*

Our capacity to love is directly related to our ability to humble ourselves.

The lower you go in your concern for self, the higher you go in your concern for others.

As a Christian we are to love everyone like this.

Jesus said we will be known is his disciples because we have love one to another like this. Vs 34-35

6 Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet?

WHOE! Time Out! This is outside of Peter's paradigm.

This is NOT how things are supposed to be done in the new regime.

Peter, was the 1st to realize who Jesus is:

Peter declared him to be the Christ,

Peter should have been washing Jesus feet right now!

Because of the hardness & selfishness of his heart he had no intention of reciprocating the act.

Don't forget, at that moment: Luke's Gospel tells us they were having an argument about who would be the greatest in the new kingdom.

Everyone his reclining at dinner with dirty feet, because none of them were willing to serve each other.

7 Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.

“Son, I'm trying to teach you something.”

How many times have we resisted God's teachings...

B/c it came in the form of a trial or hardship?

B/c it came with pain?

B/c it came w/o warning, thus w/o our approval?

B/c we had to humble ourselves?

B/c we had to humble our pride & ask for help?

“I don’t want to learn this way.”

Isn’t there a video I can watch?

If its Hard, maybe I wont need it when I grow up.”

Isn’t there an app so I don’t have to learn to do this?

8 Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. NO, NOT, NEVER!!

See the emphasis on the pronouns in Peter statement.

Thou, the divine, NEVER wash my, the sinners feet.
Cut it out, stop it!

Not now, not ever, never in all of eternity, will you ever wash my feet.

A Settled Conclusion set in Concrete.

This is NOT how I think you should teach me things.

Peter did not understand Jesus is humiliation.

They all had such a triumphant view of the Messiah.

They could not see the purpose of his coming.

Even after the resurrection, (Acts 1:6) they were asking him to restore the kingdom.

How many times have YOU told God NO?

I don’t want This?

I don’t want it This Way?

Peter was saying... *“I can’t let you do this, B/c I have NO intension of reciprocating!”*

Do you ever think about how God humbled himself for us?

(Phil 2:8) *And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.*

Humility brings the Honor of God upon us.

(Phil 2:9) *Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:*

Humility brings God’s empowerment of Grace:

(James 4:6) *But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.*

(1 Pet 5:5) *be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.*

God will Exalt you in due time!

(James 4:10) *Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.*

(1 Pet 5:6) *Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:*

8b Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.

God is not a Buffet: and I know Buffet's
(Matt 12:30) *He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.*
Illus: *Are you God's Dog?*

9 Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also *my* hands and *my* head.

I sow want a relationship with you, Give me a Bath!

10 Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash *his* feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all. 11 For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean.

Jesus steps out of the illustration into practical life. When he said Peter needed washing. Not from the filth of this world, but from sin.

Jesus is talking about...

The Cleansing Ezekiel mentioned 8times!

The Washing of Regeneration Paul told Titus about.

Peter didn't understand, that foot washing was not the extent of Christ humiliation.

He was going to go all the way past foot washing to Calvary.

The point of Christ's illustration is that we are to love like this.

12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you?

13 Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for *so* I am. 14 If I then, *your* Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. 15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. 17 If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

Happy = Blessed

We release heaven's blessings into our lives, by loving others unselfishly, sacrificially.

18 I speak not of you all: I know whom I have chosen: but that the scripture may be fulfilled, He that eateth bread with me hath lifted up his heel against me.

He Quotes the betrayal prophecy. (Ps 41:9)

19 Now I tell you before it come, that, when it is come to pass, ye may believe that I am *he*.

I want you to remember!

20 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that receiveth whomsoever I send receiveth me; and he that

receiveth me receiveth him that sent me. 21 When Jesus had thus said, he was troubled in spirit, and testified, and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me.

Judas was a self promoting, self-centered, selfish person, and was incapable of Biblical love.

22 Then the disciples looked one on another, doubting of whom he spake. 23 Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of his disciples, whom Jesus loved. 24 Simon Peter therefore beckoned to him, that he should ask who it should be of whom he spake. 25 He then lying on Jesus' breast saith unto him, Lord, who is it? 26 Jesus answered, He it is, to whom I shall give a sop, when I have dipped it. And when he had dipped the sop, he gave it to Judas Iscariot, *the son* of Simon.

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