Serve One Another

John 13:1-15 9.14.2014

SAY WHAT? Jesus: Lord, Messiah, Savior and Servant [vv.1-4]

Phil. 2:6-7, ...although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant...

SO WHAT?: Being served by Jesus [vv.5-11]

1) Taking a bath [vv.5-9]

1 Pet. 3:18, For Christ also died for sins once for all, the just for the unjust, so that He might bring us to God...

Col. 2:13, He forgave us all our sins.

2) Washing our feet [vv.10-11]

1 John 1:9, If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

NOW WHAT?: Being servants of Jesus [vv.12-15]

Connection Group Questions

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I-Connect: Serve One Another [John 13:1-15]

Monday- Please read John 13:1-15 along with Luke 22:7-23. When did this meal take place and what was symbolic about the timing? Which feast is described in these passages and what did that involve? What New Testament act of worship did Christ ordain at this time and how is it relevant today?

<u>Thursday-</u> From the passage (along with John 3:35), what did Jesus know about what God had given Him? How would knowing His standing with God affect how He accepted what He was sent to do?

<u>Tuesday-</u> What conflicts were the disciples having at this time? What had Judas already determined to do, and from where did the idea come (Luke 22:3)? If Satan had been looking for a man to betray Jesus, what qualities would he seek out in choosing whom to "use"? What qualities, then, are the antithesis to these?

<u>Wednesday</u> What act of service did Jesus perform for the disciples? What was its purpose and nature (i.e. who did it, why, when, where)? Please also read Colossians 3:17. How are we to conduct every word or act in our own lives? In what way does this personally challenge you?

<u>Friday-</u> Why would Peter object when Jesus wanted to wash his feet? How did Jesus respond? Then, how did Peter's attitude change? What does this section teach you about (a) looking at things from God's divine perspective rather than impulsively reacting in our own flesh, and (b) receiving from God? Though already baptized by the Spirit, what should the washing of feet represent in your daily walk with Christ?

How does 1 John 1:9 encourage your daily walk with Christ?

How have you seen people "wash feet" in our modern culture?

How will you serve your family this week?

How can you help your family develop an attitude of service?