

DYING TO SERVE

JOHN 13:1-17

1. You can't wash feet from a _____.

Luke 22:24-26 [26] But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves.

Luke 9:46-48 [46] An argument arose among them as to which of them was the greatest. ... [48] and said to them, "... For he who is least among you all is the one who is great."

Matthew 20:26-28 But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, [27] and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, [28] even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Go Deeper: Why do you think Jesus placed such an emphasis on being a servant? Re-read the verses above. How do these play out in day-to-day life? What are some ways to seek new opportunities to serve people? List 3 service opportunities that you know of, right now. Can you say YES to one?

2. Service to others is love made _____ (manifest).

1 John 4:9 In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him.

1 Peter 1:18-19 [18] knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, [19] but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.



Go Deeper: Of course there are other ways to love people than by serving them. What are some of those? (Did you find that to be a hard question to answer?) Why did Jesus feel so strongly about *this* act of service? How does this tie into the gospel? Jesus died to serve you. Have YOU allowed Jesus to wash you clean from sin?

3. We must all learn the art of _____.

[14] If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. [15] For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. [16] Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. [17] If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

Go Deeper: In what ways does our culture "over value" leadership? Is it easier for you to lead or follow? What are some ways to teach people to follow well? What are some of the benefits to being a great follower? How does following play out in your walk as a Christian?



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Keep your eyes open for a chance to serve someone this week!