

Practice Your Service - Jesus washes his disciples' feet 101

John 13

A new commandment I give you: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.
John 13:34

Readings this week:

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| S | John 13:1-11 |
| M | John 13:12-20 |
| T | John 13:21-38 |
| W | John 14:1-11 |
| Th | John 14:12-24 |
| F | John 14:25-31 |
| S | 1 Corinthians 13 |

Read John 13:12-17. Those who accept Jesus as their Lord must be prepared to ...



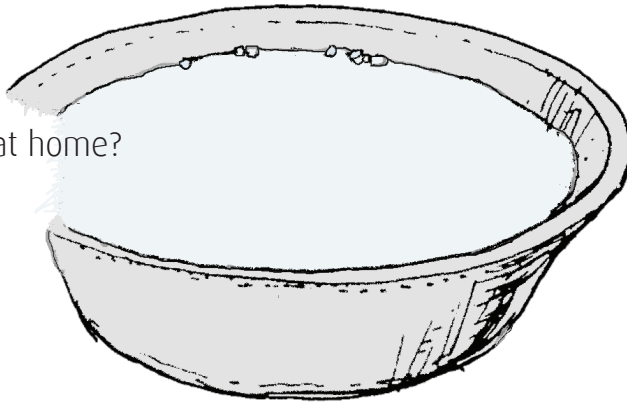
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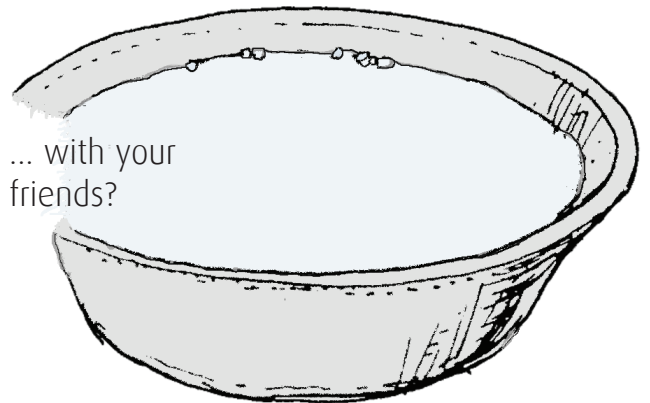
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Jesus used washing feet as an example of a humble task you can do for someone else. How many other ways of "washing someone's feet" can you think of

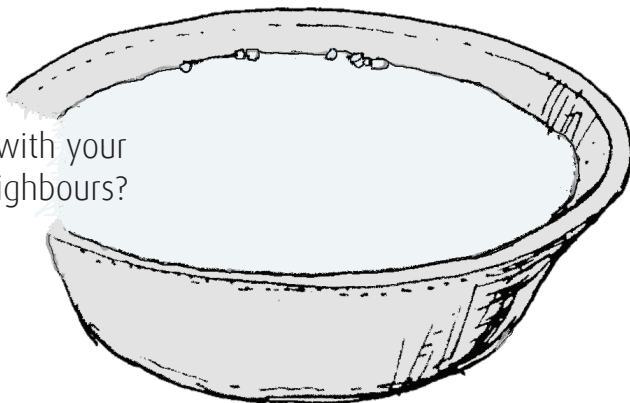
... at home?



... with your friends?



... with your neighbours?





Did Jesus wait to be asked before he served his disciples?



Did he do it so they would thank him and think well of him?



Should you?



Do you think this is an easy thing to do?



How many people's feet did Jesus wash that evening?



Think of the names of them all.



Would you have found it difficult to include them all (Look at verses 21 and 30)

Jesus and Judas

Look at John 13:2-4 and see how Jesus washing his disciples' feet is linked to what Judas was planning.

Look at these other verses and see how Jesus treated Judas with love and care.

Luke 22:28-30
John 12:6, 13:29

Crack the code ...

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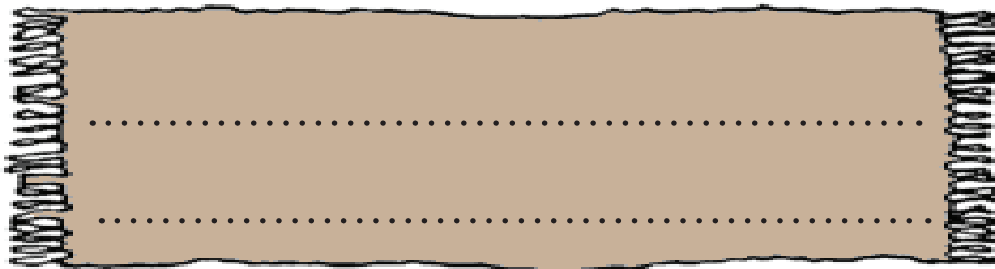
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Now finish the message; it is hidden in John 13.



Digging Deeper - Servant and King

In this week's lesson we have learnt of Jesus being a servant.

Not long before this something else had happened.

Read John 12:12-13

What were the people saying Jesus was at that time?

Look up these verses and find out other people who described Jesus as king and try to decide whether they believed it.

John 1:49

19:14-15, 19-22

19:2-3

Matthew 27:41-42

Now read John 12:23-28 and explain how Jesus could serve as well as being a king. (this passage also tells us how we can serve as well)

How does it make you feel if someone does something kind for you?

What do those feelings teach you about the relationship you have with Jesus?

Ask for help to humbly serve others.