Become Joyful Servants John 13:1~20

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- How many of us are codependent in this servant/be served relationship?
- Christ knows how messed up we are and presents us with keys to undoing and remaking us



John 13:1 New American Standard Bible

¹ Now before the Feast of the Passover, Jesus knowing that His hour had come that He would depart out of this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.



- His love allows and compels Him to do this
- Christ is preoccupied with showing His love



- What hour is Christ referring to?
- Further reveal his uniqueness to glorify God
- To show us that trying to be good is a waste
- What about your hour?
- Maybe not global, but daily
- What's not fitting in your "hour"?



• Jesus loved His own completely, fully

- What hard things has Christ claimed in John?
- What hard things has Christ claimed in you?



John 13:2-4

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² During supper, the devil having already put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon, to betray Him, ³ Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come forth from God and was going back to God, ⁴ got up from supper, and laid aside His garments; and taking a towel, He girded Himself.



- Judas' unchecked greed led to denial and betrayal
- What sin goes unchecked and indulged in you?
- The Biblical pattern is opposition by the devil
- How could Christ act like this so close to the cross?
- Trusted the truth about who He is and who God is ~ you too!



John 13:5

⁵ Then He poured water into the basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded.



- If anyone could be full of himself, it was Christ
- He humbled Himself to this personal, intimate act of love
- God loves you
- In particular, God loves His own
- Are you secure enough to serve others?



John 13:6-11 New American Standard Bible

⁶ So He came to Simon Peter. He said to Him, "Lord, do You wash my feet?" ⁷ Jesus answered and said to him, "What I do you do not realize now, but you will understand hereafter." ⁸ Peter said to Him, "Never shall You wash my feet!" Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me."



John 13:6-11 New American Standard Bible

⁹ Simon Peter said to Him, "Lord, *then wash* not only my feet, but also my hands and my head."
¹⁰ Jesus said to him, "He who has bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all *of you*." ¹¹ For He knew the one who was betraying Him; for this reason He said, "Not all of you are clean."



- When you are washed you are saved
- We have a daily need for confession and forgiveness
- Our life is secure in Christ
- Our walk in this world damages our fellowship with God



- Love leads to a humiliating lesson in service, power and joy
- Receive these tough lessons from the Lord
- You are blessed if you do them
- The source of joy is serving others
- Not a feel-good; a supernatural blessing
- What are you spending your life on?
- Spend it all to be humble and to give your life away _____



- Where are the servant leaders and leaders who serve?
- TSF has ways to wash feet
- The world is watching; why won't they believe?
- Our lack of love for each other



- Overwhelmed at the love of Christ
- ¹ See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and *such* we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.
 1 John 3:1



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