



Series: Gospel of John	Date: Jan. 29th 2017
Topic: Basin Theology	Speaker: Pastor Joe Ong

WELCOME

This week we celebrated the baptism of 7 individuals; Danny Mitsuda, Kevin Cezar, Kelcie Okamura, Nikita Richey, Kristyn Mimura, Kawai Wagner, and Jack Lopes.

For the ice breaker this week, share your answers to the following question: What is a talent or skill that you have that not many people know about?

WORSHIP

Start the worship time by encouraging people to share praises for what God has done in their life this past week. Sing worship songs from the Sunday services or select your own.

WORD

- I. Spiritual Objective.** At the end of the discussion, members will:
- A. Discuss the compassion and example of servanthood that Jesus laid out in the passage.
 - B. Talk about how this passage should inform our own actions, as Christians, towards others.
- II. The Sermon Synopsis:**

As Jesus and His disciples were celebrating the Passover, Jesus also knew His time was coming for Him to die. In the face of this reality Jesus gave His disciples one final lesson on what it means to live in the Kingdom of God. With His disciples all eating together, Jesus took a towel and began to wash the disciple's feet. In doing so Jesus was setting the example of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. He was also setting down a challenge for all followers of Christ; that being a Christian means we are called to lower one's self to serve the needs of others. Christ, who was God incarnate, who was the Disciples teacher and master, was not above washing their feet. Christians are not above showing love to others. The message of the passage is simple, if we desire to follow Jesus, we must be okay with playing the role of a servant.

The Text:

¹² When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. ¹³ "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. ¹⁴ Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. ¹⁶ Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷ Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

(John 13:12-17)

Discussion Questions

- III.** In this passage we see Jesus setting the standard for what it means to be a servant. Jesus, the Son of God, lowers himself and washes the feet of His disciples. *What does this act tell you about who Jesus is? How does it impact how we view our role as followers of Christ?*
- IV.** This passage also reveals the compassion of our Savior. Although Jesus knew He was about to go and die, and yet His concern is for His disciples, the ones He loved. *How does this passage challenge our understanding of how we should love one another? What are some tangible ways you can demonstrate this type of love in the next two weeks?*
- V.** In the passage Peter asks Jesus to wash all of him, his hands and his head. Pastor Joe pointed out that Jesus' response is a reminder that we all need spot cleaning. Every Christian has been washed clean at the point of salvation, but every Christian still needs to have their feet washed from time to time. *What are some of the ways we can build regular "spot cleaning" into our lives? In what ways can we help each other when our feet are getting dirty?*
- VI.** The video testimony of Danny Mitsuda, and many of the other people who were baptized, reminds us that the message of the Gospel really is a simple one; Jesus died for our sins. *In what ways do we tend*



to make the Gospel more complicated than it needs to be? If you had to explain the message of the gospel in one line what would it be? What about what it means to live the Christian life?

VII. Finally, in the washing of the disciples' feet, Jesus is also issuing a challenge to all of His followers; are you willing to humble yourself, and serve and love others in the same way. It is as simple as that. *Do you find it difficult to serve others in the same humble way Jesus demonstrated? What are some of the benefits to serving others in humility?*

WORK

- **Pray** and ask God to reveal to you the dirty spots in your life that could use the spot cleansing of Jesus. Thank Him for the sending of His Son and the humble way that Jesus loved us. Finally, ask God for the strength and resolve to rise to the challenge of lowering ourselves and serving others in Love.
- **Pray for Our Building Expansion Project (BEP). Let's pray for P.A.G.E. that Owen shared during PUSH on Friday night with some modifications:**
 - ❖ **Permits.** 1) Continue praying for our re-application to the Bldg. Dept. for the modification to our (CUP) Conditional Use Permit to be approved w/out further complications. 2) Also pray that our grading permit application will be approved by the end of Feb so we can begin the excavation & grading of our grounds. 3) Finally, pray that we will be ready to apply for our building construction permit by Feb. 28.
 - ❖ **Architect.** Continue praying that our architect will work with our contractor in a true design-assist partnership to complete the detailed construction drawings in a cost-effective manner and in a more timely fashion.
 - ❖ **Giving, Grants & Guaranteed Loan Commitment.** 1) Pray for the continued generous giving of our congregation toward the 3-year pledge and additional gifts as God allows. 2) Pray

that God will grant us favor with the foundations that we are asking for grants. 3) Pray that we will receive the loan commitment and interest rate lock that we are seeking as God provides.

- ❖ **Evaluation Meeting.** Pray for our meeting this Thursday with our BEP Committee and church elders as we review the latest update of the construction cost estimate and pray for God's direction.

Announcements:

1. **Youth Alpha Series.** The Youth Alpha Series continues this Friday for the next 6 Friday Nights (2/3 - 3/10). They are still in need of generous Home Groups or individuals who are willing to help provide a meal. They are also asking parents to commit to driving their child/friends to Alpha.
2. **Leadership Foundations Class #1.** Sat, 2/4, 8:45 to 1:00pm. Training for all Ministry Leaders who haven't attended (or want to attend again) to provide us a unified foundation in character, knowledge, vision, values and lifestyle.
3. **Car Wash and Workday.** Sat, 2/11, 9:00am to 12:30pm. Come and help wash the cars of the seniors in our community and help maintain our church building and grounds.
4. **Newcomer's Luncheon.** Sun, 2/12 at 12:00pm. Fellowship lunch for newcomer's to introduce them to relevant ministries they may want to join and to connect with church families during our time together.
5. **Valentine's Day.** Tue, 2/14. Don't forget to share your love with "Valentine" on this special day.
6. **President's Day Holiday.** Mon. 2/20. Enjoy this holiday by spending a special time with family and friends. Get together with your HOME Group for a picnic and invite friends and family you're trying to reach together.



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Scriptures: John 13: 1-17

13 Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. **2** The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper **3** Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God,

4 got up from the table,[a] took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. **5** Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. **6** He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" **7** Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." **8** Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." **9** Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" **10** Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." **11** For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

12 After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? **13** You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. **14** So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. **15** For I have set you

an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. **16** Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. **17** If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

1. First, The **Compassion** of the Savior. (vv.1-3)
2. Second, The **Cleansing** by the Savior. (vv. 4-11)
3. Third, The **Challenge** of the Savior. (vv. 12-17)

Conclusion:

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