

## In the Upper Room- part 2

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- Read John 13 together as a group
- Does knowing that John devotes 5 chapters to the scene in the upper room change how you view these passages? If so how?
- What does Glorify mean?
- According to this passage how was Jesus glorifying God?
- Consider some of the ways Jesus loved the Disciples...
  - He came to them first and asked them to follow him
  - He spent time with them
  - He taught them about God and His kingdom
  - He broke bread with them
  - He prayed for them
  - He continued to pursue them when they showed lack of faith
  - He challenged and admonished them
  - He washed their feet
  - He died for them
- Can you think of any other examples of Jesus' love for the disciples from scripture?
- How does thinking about loving others in the context of how Jesus loved his followers change your perspective on loving others?
- Jesus called a very diverse group of people to be his disciples, people who would inevitably have conflict. And yet Jesus called them to be unified and love each other.
  - How does this affect our own perspective in light of current conflicts that we might have with other brothers and sisters at Seaside?
- When the disciples thought about how Jesus had loved them they would have thought of how Jesus had approached them first, and called them to follow him before they had earned anything, and before they were believers. Jesus saw people as more than their problems.
  - Do we see the possibility for "not yet christians" to be transformed and saved by Jesus?
  - Do we take steps to love these people and reach and teach them?
  - Do we share our lives with them? Share a meal with them?
  - Do we pray for them?
- Jesus said the world would know his followers by their love for each other. Why is this important?
- Take some time to pray together as a group and ask for unity with each other and take some time to confess proud hearts that are in conflict with a brother or sister in Christ.