



Week 3- “Feet and Toilets”

In our culture there are so many versions, ideas, and interpretations of what a Christian is supposed to be, and so often Christians do not look anything like Jesus. In this series, we are looking at what a Christian should actually look like. In this week’s message, we continue to dig deeper into Christianity to discover what it really looks like to love and serve like Jesus.

1. In last week’s message we were challenged to pray for a personal enemy or a political figure we disagree with. Did you notice any shift in your heart as you prayed for an enemy last week?
2. Did you become aware of an area in your heart that has been hardened towards someone else? If so, are you willing to ask God to help you love the way He does?
3. How does it make you feel to know that you can’t love and serve like Jesus, but you can surrender and ask Him to help you live out who He has already made you to be?
4. The version of Christianity that teaches us to try and be like Jesus, by doing and saying all of the right things, is known as moralistic Christianity. In what ways do you try to follow Jesus as an example, and how do you feel when you can’t live up to that example?

Christianity teaches us that we ALL have a sin disease, and on our own we cannot love and serve perfectly as Jesus did. True Christianity says that Jesus came to be our Savior to help us navigate our sin disease. When we surrender to Him as Savior He puts His spirit in us to help us love and serve others as He loved and served.

5. How does this truth impact your view of what it looks like to follow Jesus?

Read John 13:1-12 and 1 John 1:8-10

6. What does it take for us to be made clean according to the verses in 1 John? Why do you think it was so important to cleanse the disciples of their sin disease before telling them to serve others as He has served them?

Read Philipians 2:1-8,13-15

7. How can you trust that even when YOU get in the way, it is Christ who defines you and not your inability to live a perfect Christian life?

8. What would your relationships look like if you trusted Jesus to help you serve others from a heart that is truly focused on the other person?

9. This week will you ask yourself: Am I serving those around me?
Will you take steps to show those around you that you value them above yourself? Will you trust that Christ is in you and ask Him to help you?

“You have died with Christ. You have been raised with Christ. You are united with Christ. Now live like who you are. Live in accordance with who He has made you to be. You are new and not who you once were. Now live like it is true.”

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