

The Final Messages of Jesus Part 1

HANDOUT

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Context: Jesus' earthly ministry was coming to an end. Jesus was about to die for the sins of the world.

John 13:1 - It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

Jesus knew that His time to depart was coming, and **He loved His own, to the end**

KEY: "One of the most fascinating things you can do on this planet is try to understand the majesty of God and couple that with His love for you."

~Francis Chan

John 13:3-5 Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; 4so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. 5After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

Put yourselves in the disciples place. Now He is at your feet - Imagine what that would have been like.

John 13:6-8 He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" 7Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand." 8"No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me."

John 13:12-14 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.

- There is no greater motivation for us to serve one another than to see Jesus (God, Creator) washed the feet of the disciples.

John 13:17 Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

KEY: God continually calls you and I to a life of action; not just listening, not just understanding...but a life of action.

Jesus is leaving, but He's not really leaving. They will be able to still fellowship with Him as they remember His body and blood.

John 13:21-24 After he had said this, Jesus was troubled in spirit and testified, "Very truly I tell you, one of you is going to betray me." 22His disciples stared at one another, at a loss to know which of them he meant. 23One of them, the disciple whom Jesus loved, was reclining next to him. 24Simon Peter motioned to this disciple and said, "Ask him which one he means."

John 13:25-30 Leaning back against Jesus, he asked him, "Lord, who is it?"

26Jesus answered, "It is the one to whom I will give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish." Then, dipping the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. 27As soon as Judas took the bread, Satan entered into him. So Jesus told him, "What you are about to do, do quickly." 28But no one at the meal understood why Jesus said this to him. 29Since Judas had charge of the money, some thought Jesus was telling him to buy what was needed for the festival, or to give something to the poor. 30As soon as Judas had taken the bread, he went out. And it was night.

KEY: The next messages that come from Jesus are truly amazing, the things the disciples will hear, BUT...Judas misses them because He left.

POINT: The truths of God are both an invitation into the fullness of life Jesus promises and a challenge to leave behind all our comfortable half-loves.

Question: What can cause you to live like Judas instead of trusting Jesus?