

WHAT IS THIS THING CALLED POWER? HOW DOES IT WORK?

Introduction:

The idea of power is confusing mostly because we tend to be uncertain about just what it is. If we understand power through the lens of the World, then we will miss the heart of the Gospel. To understand power and how it operates we must first look at the source of power and how Jesus leveraged it. When He said "follow me," He was inviting them to understand power and how power works.

Scriptures:

- MATTHEW 16:24-25
- JOHN 13:1-17
- PHILIPPIANS 2:1-11

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What is the difference in the way Jesus viewed and demonstrated power versus how the culture values and exercises power now?
- **2.** Pastor noted that how Christians behave hurts the credibility of the Christian faith. What are some examples?
- 3. Why was it important for Jesus to wash His Disciple's feet?
- 4. Where do you serve at CCC and how has it made you a better Christian?

Moving Forward:

- WHAT YOU BELIEVE WILL DICTATE HOW YOU BEHAVE!
- INSECURE PEOPLE CAN NEVER SERVE! WE SERVE WHEN WE ARE SECURE!

Changing Your Mind:

When the time came, he set aside the privileges of deity and took on the status of a slave, became human! Having become human, he stayed human. It was an incredibly humbling process. He didn't claim special privileges. Instead, he lived a selfless, obedient life and then died a selfless, obedient death—and the worst kind of death at that—a crucifixion (**PHILIPPIANS 2:7-8, THE MESSAGE**).