

JESUS WASHES HIS DISCIPLES' FEET

John 13:1-17

John 13

¹It was just before the Passover Feast. Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extent of his love.

²The evening meal was being served, and the devil had already prompted Judas Iscariot, son of Simon, to betray Jesus. ³Jesus 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.

⁶He 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."

⁹"Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

¹⁰Jesus answered, "A person who has had a bath needs only to wash his feet; his whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." ¹¹For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean.

¹²When 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. ¹⁴Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. ¹⁶I tell you the truth, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

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POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	QUESTIONS
5		1.) What did Jesus do for his disciples?
5		2.) Why do you think Peter did not want Jesus to wash his feet?
5		3.) Why did Peter finally agree to let Jesus wash his feet?
5		4.) Why do you think Jesus washed his disciples' feet?

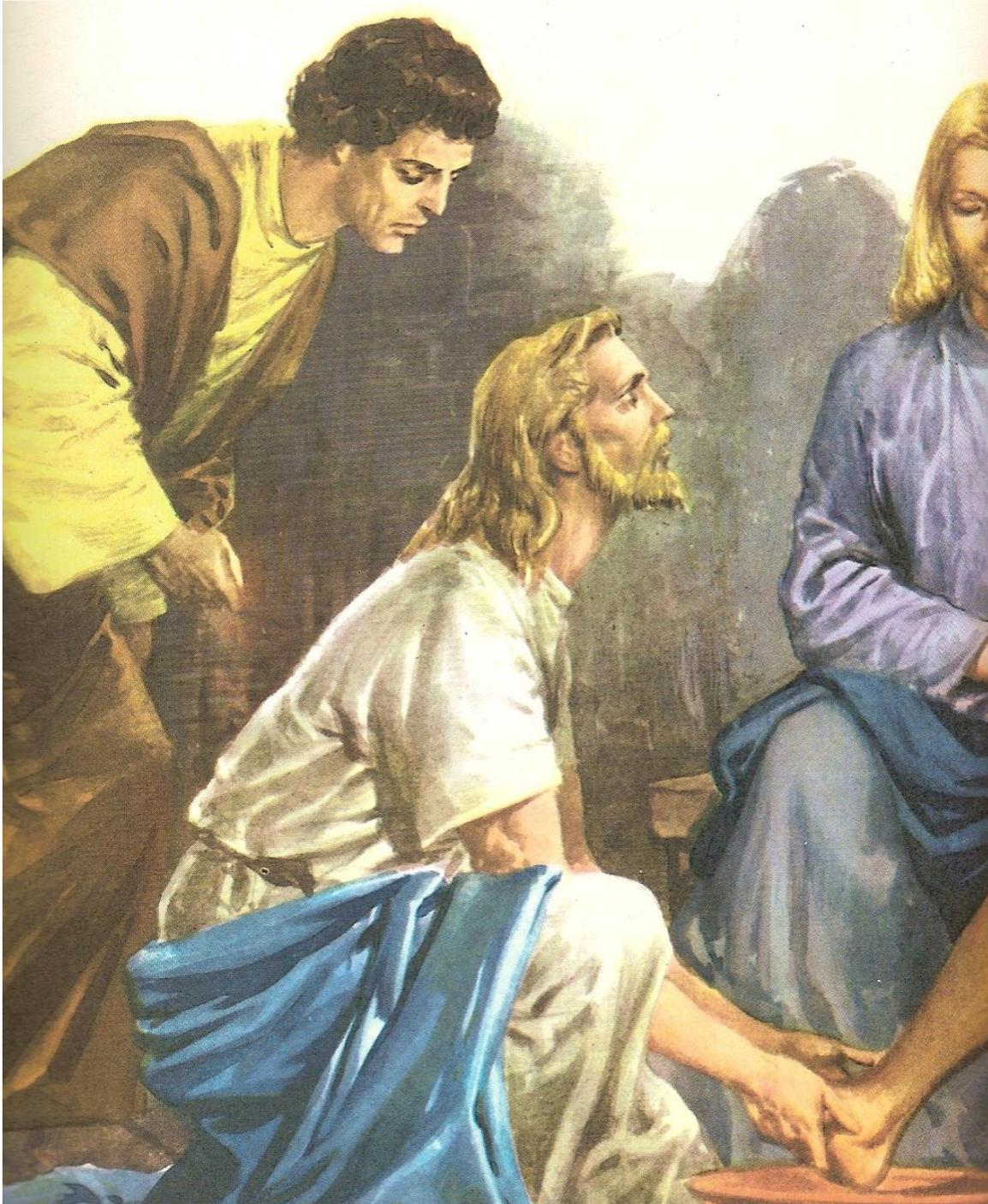
POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	MEMORY VERSE
10		"I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you." John 13:15

POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	HOME CONNECTION	PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE
5		<i>I have read, or been read, the passage of scripture for this week.</i>	
5		<i>I have answered the questions aloud to an adult at home this week.</i>	
10		<i>I have recited the memory verse out loud to an adult at home this week.</i>	

TOTAL POINTS	CLUB CONNECTION
	LEADER'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE ___/___/___

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Jesus shows his disciples how to treat others by washing their feet

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CRAFT/ACTIVITY: WASH BASINS

Students will make wash basins to remind them that Jesus washed his disciples' feet as an example to us.

MATERIALS

1. 67 lb. Cardstock
2. Feet Pattern
3. Crayons, Markers, or Colored Pencils
4. Glue
5. Scissors
6. Paper Bowls
7. Paper Towels



DIRECTIONS

1. Make copies of the feet pattern for each student onto 67 lb cardstock.
2. Have students color the feet and cut them out.
3. Glue the feet into a paper bowl.
4. Glue a paper towel into the bowl.

FOR DISCUSSION

As students are working on their wash basins, remind them that we need to be more like Jesus who humbled himself and washed his disciples' feet. Often times we are willing to serve others when it is not too far out of our comfort zone; when it is, we tend to shy away from the task. Encourage students to do for others even when it is humbling.

TIME NEEDED TO COMPLETE:

Approximately 10 minutes

MEMORY VERSE

*"I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you."
John 13:15*

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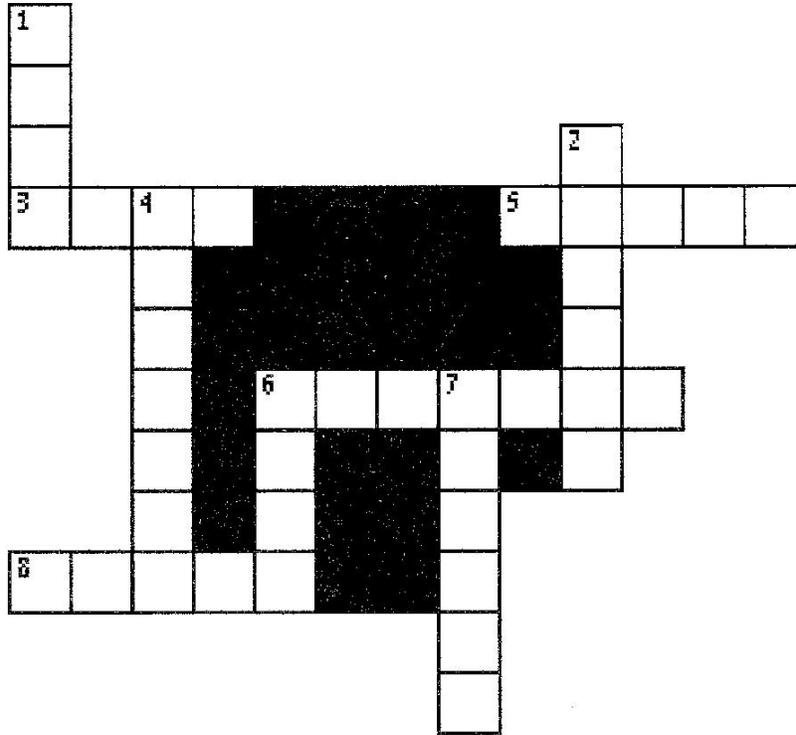
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FEET PATTERN



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- 6 ACROSS "He who is greatest among you shall be your servant. And whoever exalts himself will be abased, and he who _____ himself will be exalted." **MATTHEW 23:11-12**
- 6 DOWN "...Jesus knew that His _____ had come that He should depart from this world to the Father..." **JOHN 13:1**
- 2 DOWN "Jesus, knowing that the _____ had given all things into His hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God." **JOHN 13:3**
- 3 ACROSS "...He poured water into a basin and began to _____ the disciples' feet." **JOHN 13:5**
- 8 ACROSS "_____ said to Him, 'You shall never wash my feet!' Jesus answered him, 'If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me.'" **JOHN 13:8**
- 7 DOWN "Jesus said to him, 'He who is _____ needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean.'" **JOHN 13:10**
- 1 DOWN "So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, 'Do you _____ what I have done? You call Me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am.'" **JOHN 13:12-13**
- 4 DOWN "Most assuredly, I say to you, a _____ is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him." **JOHN 13:16**
- 5 ACROSS "If you know these things, _____ are you if you do them." **JOHN 13:17**

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A SPECIAL REPORT ON JOHN 13:1-17

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Just before the Passover Feast, Jesus showed his disciples just how much he loved them.

While the meal was being served, Jesus got up and took off his outer clothing and wrapped a towel around his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet. Jesus used the towel that was wrapped around his waist to dry the disciples' feet.

Simon Peter did not want Jesus to wash his feet. But Jesus told Simon Peter that unless he washed his feet, Simon would not have any part of Jesus.

Simon Peter said, "Then, Lord, not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

Jesus washed his disciples' feet as an example of what his disciples should do for others. Jesus wanted his disciples to serve others just as Jesus served them.

To find out more, read John 13:1-17 in your Bible.

QUESTIONS

1. What did Jesus do for his disciples?
2. Why do you think Simon Peter did not want Jesus to wash his feet?
3. Why did Simon Peter finally agree to let Jesus wash his feet?
4. Why do you think Jesus washed his disciples' feet?

MEMORY VERSE

"I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you."

John 13:15

CROSS OFF THE LETTERS

Cross out every other letter. Write the remaining letters on the lines below to reveal the hidden message.

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