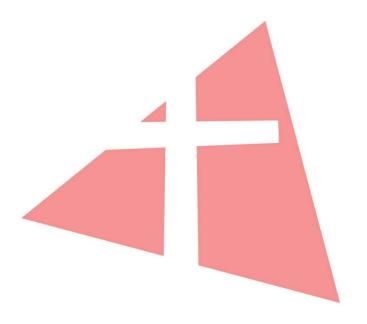
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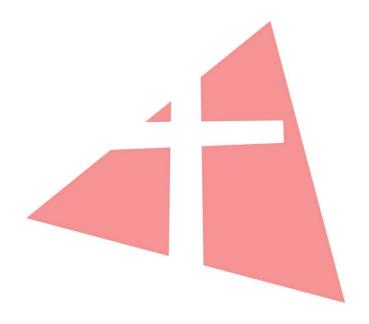
Our Series: The Gospel of John

Two lives to choose from



Today's Focus

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Today's Passage

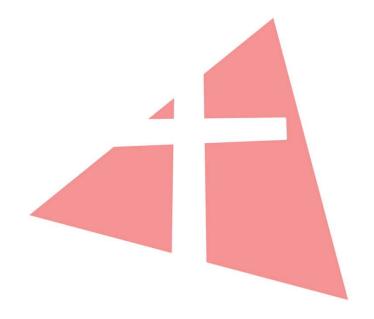
John 13:1-17 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them unto the end. And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him; Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he came from God, and went to God; He rose from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. After that he poured water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which he was girded. Then came he to Simon Peter: and Peter said unto him, Lord, do you wash my feet?

Today's Passage

Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do you know not now; but you shall know hereafter. Peter said unto him, You shall never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash you not, you have no part with me. Simon Peter said unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head. Jesus said to him, He that is washed needs not except to wash his feet, but is clean completely: and you are clean, but not all. For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, You are not all clean. So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was seated again, he said unto them, Know you what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord: and you say rightly; for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet; you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. If you know these things, happy are you if you do them.

This World

o In this world, the "lower people" serve the "higher people"



Jesus' Service

John 13:3-5 Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he came from God, and went to God; He rose from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. After that he poured water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which he was girded.

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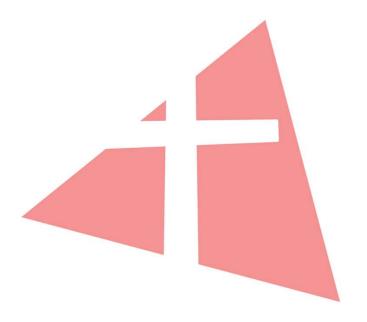
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What this Story points to

This story points to the cross

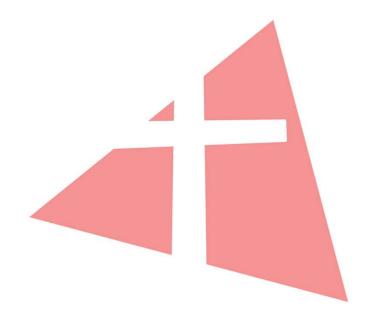


Jesus' Commission

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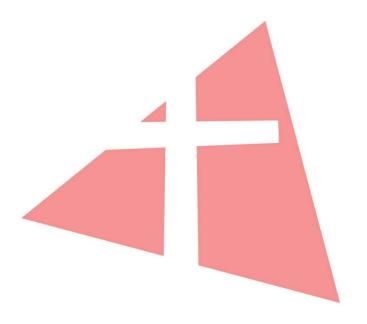
The Difference

- Jesus is still the one with the power, authority, plan, etc.
- But Jesus redefines leadership
- Leadership is about "serving the people under"



The Application

- We should not seek people to serve us
- o Instead, we should seek how we can serve others



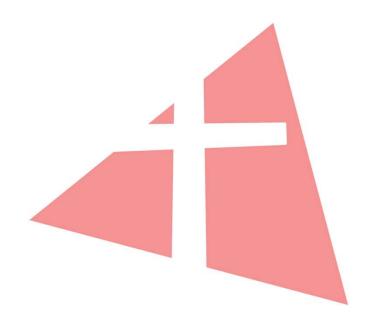
Jesus' Words

Matthew 20:26-28 But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Matthew 23:12 And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.

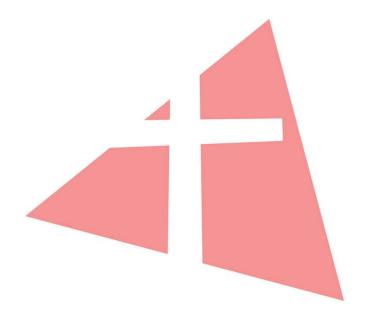
Application

- Meet people's needs
- Love your neighbor as yourself
- Look out for the good of others
- Put other people's needs above our own wants
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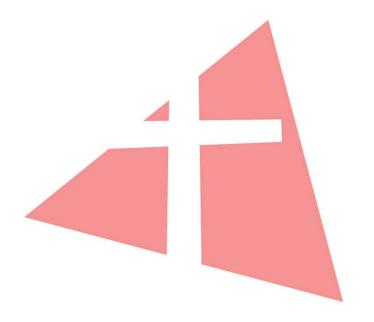
Application

Share Jesus with people who don't know Him yet



The Church

- We should not see the church as a place that serves us
- We should see the church as a place where we serve others



In Conclusion

Let's look for opportunities to serve others

