

INTRODUCTION

- * Over the past six months we have examined the public ministry of Christ. John spent the first 12 chapters of His gospel account revealing the Deity of Christ - that Jesus was truly the Son of God. We saw that Jesus not only declared that He was YHWH, but that He also performed miracles that only YHWH could do.
- * Today, we come to chapter 13, where we find a major transition that will last for the next five chapters. John takes the space in his gospel account to reveal Jesus' final teaching and instruction to His disciples. When you know that you are about to pass away, you want to make sure that you impart those things that you believe those you are leaving behind need to know. This is what we will be considering over the next two months or so.
- * Today, we consider the importance of Jesus' demonstration of servant leadership.

INSTRUCTION

I. THE M_____ OF SERVANT LEADERSHIP: _____

II. THE F_____ OF SERVANT LEADERSHIP: _____

A. Knowing His D_____ : He Was C_____ By the Father

B. Knowing His O_____ : He Was S_____ By the Father

C. Knowing His D_____ : He Was G_____ To the Father

III. THE E_____ OF SERVANT LEADERSHIP: _____

A. Humility (cf. Philippians 2:1-8)

B. Commitment

1. P_____ ... HE P_____ THE NEED

2. P_____ ... HE P_____ THE SUPPLIES

3. P_____ ... HE P_____ THE TASK

IV. THE A_____ OF SERVANT LEADERSHIP: _____

A. The Context (cf. Luke 22:14-30)

B. The Challenge:

INTROSPECTION

- * HOW ARE YOU AT WALKING IN THE STEPS OF JESUS?
- * ARE YOU WORRYING MORE ABOUT "WHAT IS MINE!" THAN THE NEEDS OF OTHERS?
- * WHAT IS YOUR MOTIVATION IN SERVING OTHERS? IS IT TO MEET NEEDS OR GAIN RECOGNITION?
- * WHAT IS ONE WAY THAT YOU CAN BEGIN "WASHING THE FEET" OF OTHERS IN THE ASSEMBLY?
- * IS THERE A NEED TO CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK ... AND, THEREFORE, THE WAY YOU ACT?

INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion

- * Read 1 Corinthians 13:1-7. Consider the attributes of love declared in the passage and how Jesus manifested them during this meal with His disciples. How can manifest them in our lives and relationships?