

sermon notes

WHAT ARE YOU SERVING?

It 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... Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you... Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

John 13:1-17

WHO IS A SERVANT?

Doulo: _____

Mark 9:35

Principle: _____

Diakonos: _____

Matthew 20:26-28

Principle: _____

Huperetes: _____

Acts 26:16

Principle: _____

A lifetime commitment _____ *people's needs in* _____
that _____ *Jesus, not me.*

THE HEART OF A SERVANT:

1. *A servant puts _____ over _____.*

Philippians 2:3-4

2. *A servant puts _____ over _____.*

Luke 10:30-37 (The Message)

3. *A servant puts _____ over _____.*

Acts 2:44-45

4. *A servant puts _____ over _____.*

Matthew 25:37-40

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Thinking of the three Greek definitions for "servant" provided in the message this week, share which definition made the greatest impact on you. How can you develop that aspect of servanthood in your life?
- Discuss the concept of empathy and how vital it is to our ability to serve others when it's inconvenient. What is something that moves your heart for other people? In what ways can you respond with love in action when you see someone struggling in that way?
- Talk about a time when someone loved you by serving you when you were struggling. Share how their actions impacted your life. What did you learn about God in that time?

Personal Challenge

Thank God for showing you the ultimate example of love in action as He served and gave His life for you. Pray that He would develop the heart of a servant within you, and ask Him to show you opportunities to serve others in love.

Evaluate the condition of your heart when it comes to serving others. Make a commitment to developing the heart of a servant, and look for ways to show love to those in need.