7 Habits of an Effective Disciple Week 2 outline 4-11-25 John 13

## Habit #2: Washing Feet

## I. John 13: Jesus Washes the Disciples Feet

- 1. Matthew, Mark, or Luke, = no foot washing, yes communion.
- 2. John = no communion, yes foot washing!
- 3. Was foot washing a new ordinance?

## II. Jesus As Our Example:

- 1. Jesus Goes LOWER than Low (Philippians 2: 5-8)
- 2. Jesus Looked for the Towel, NOT the Trophy
- 3. We go LOW to LIFT OTHERS UP! (Philippians 2:3-4)
- 4. Clothed Himself with Humility

# III. Jesus And Peter (John 13:6-10)

- A. PRIDE
- B. SHAME
- 1. Peter was ALL IN all the time
  - A. Wash all of me! (Two potential responses to Jesus)
    - I'm still so sinful (Shame)
    - I'm clean so I can do whatever I want! (Pride)
- 2. We live in a dirty world and need to get our feet washed!
  - A. The dirt of the world can hinder our relationship with the Father
  - B. Spending time with the Gardner/ our Father
  - C. 1 John 1:9 if we confess, he is faithful to forgive us...

## IV. <u>We Are His Representatives:</u>

- 1. We are called to Love and Serve others (John 13:34-36)
  - A. Jesus ups the ante!
  - B. We look for the Towel, Not the Trophy
  - C. Taking the Towel is NOT optional. (John 13:14-15)
- 2. As Disciples of Jesus we are
  - A. Secure (in our Standing)
  - B. Humble (in our walk)
- 3. Jesus makes a promise!
  - A. There is JOY in serving (John 13:17)
  - B. blessed = The good life!

# V. The Good life Is Found In The Towel: (Matthew 16:25)

- A. Will we believe?
- B. Will we follow?
- C. Will we trust?

Life Group Questions:

- 1. Go around and all share one luxury item, or comfort thing, that would be really hard to give up?!
- 2. What is a "Trophy" that you are tempted to pursue to please man or be viewed in a more positive way?
- 3. We live in a dirty world and consistently need Jesus to wash our face! What's a "smudge" on your face that Jesus needs to constantly cleaned? (No shame here! So go as deep as you feel comfortable!)
- 4. Share a time that you've served in a hard way but felt real Joy!
- 5. When you think about "going low", what way of serving immediately comes to your mind? Why?
- 6. Does the world know that we are his disciples by how we love one another? If not, why? And how can we do better?
- 7. What is one way that you can commit to humbling yourself and serving this week? Be accountable! Share what you want to do this week, and then next week share with the group if you did it and how it was!