

John 13 — The towel and the basin

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1 Eat

Read the passage slowly, read it again, then retell it in your own words. If you can't retell it, read it once more.

☐ Read ☐ Reread ☐ Retell

2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. What does this passage show me about God?

What does Jesus do at the supper, what 'new command' does he give, and how does he say everyone will recognize his disciples (vv. 34–35)?

2. What does it show me about people — and about myself?

Peter resisted: 'You shall never wash my feet.' Why is it sometimes harder to receive Jesus' service than to give it?

3. What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)

'Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet.' Whose feet — practically, humbly — will you wash this week?

4. Who will I tell?

Jesus said love would be the mark that shows the world who his disciples are. What visible act of love could make someone ask about him this week?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

★ Pray

Jesus, on the night you were betrayed you tied a towel around your waist and washed your disciples' feet — even Judas's.

Wash me, and teach me to love the way you loved.



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