

RADICAL LOVE - "SHARE GOD'S LOVE"

LESSON OVERVIEW

Revelation: Share God's Love **Bible Lesson:** John 13:1-16

Heart: Despite Jesus knowing Judas would betray Him, and Peter would deny Him, He still chose to wash their feet, setting the example of showing His love to others. Memory Verse: "He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?" — Micah 6:8

GAME

- Musical Chairs
- 4-Corners
- Playground

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Page Team Lead for all communication of needs (supplies, parent assistance, medical, restroom breaks)
- NEVER leave the classroom without paging Team Lead
- NEVER be alone with a child this includes one on one conversations
- NO pictures or video recording is allowed in the classroom
- Every child and serve team member MUST wear their name tag

RULES

- Respect

DECLARATION

"I am a child of God, full of His Holy Spirit. I am learning His ways. I am made to encounter and connect with Him daily. I am walking in His favor and carrying His presence wherever I go."

CONNECT WITH GOD FOCUS

- Creation



REVELATION

SAY | Radical love is when you love God for no reason. If He never did anything for you ever again, you would still love Him. Radical love is when you love God because He is God!

Jesus tells us in Matthew 22:37-38 that the most important commandment is "...Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Love Him with all your mind."

In this series, we are diving into what it means to love the Lord with all your heart, soul, and mind. In today's Bible story Jesus showed his disciples how to love Radically by showing a Radical act of mercy (undeserved kindness) when He knew that what would happen next would lead to His arrest and later giving His life for all. Despite this, He showed His love towards them and called them to show this same love to others.

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Let's pray, Holy Spirit, we welcome you here, we don't make room for you, but we give you the entire room. We ask you to teach us your ways so that we may know you and find your favor. Speak Lord, your servants are listening. Amen.

BIBLE LESSON

TEACHER PROMPT | If you memorize this story and this lesson, it will help you teach it in excellence and allow Holy Spirit to speak to you and through you.

BIBLE LESSON INTRO | Our Bible lesson today is found in John 13:1-16

Our story takes place on the night of Jesus' betrayal by Judas and denial by Peter. Jesus, who knew these things would happen, chose to show Radical Love (love for no reason) to His disciples as an example of how they should show this same love to all.



Jesus was at the Passover dinner with His disciples when He got up from the meal and began to wrap a towel around His waist. Then He began to pour water into a large bowl. One by one He went around and started washing His disciples' feet and dried them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

When He got to Peter, Peter said to Him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" and Jesus said, "You don't realize now what I am doing. But later you will understand." But Peter resisted it and said, "No, you will never wash my feet."

Peter didn't understand why His master would be going low and washing His followers' feet. Imagine the President of the United States came over to your house to clean the floors, you would probably be pretty confused. But Jesus was trying to teach His disciples something.

Jesus answered Peter and said, "Unless I wash you, you can't share life with me." (pause) That is a big deal, Jesus was saying that if Peter would refuse to accept this act of God's Radical Love towards him, that he could not share life with Him.

Peter responded and said, "Lord, not just my feet! Wash my hands and my head too!" Jesus answered, "People who have had a bath need to wash only their feet. The rest of their body is clean. And you are clean. But not all of you are." He said this because He knew who was going to hand Him over to His enemies (Judas).

When Jesus was done washing their feet, He went and sat back down. He asked them, "Do you understand what I have done for you? You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord.' You are right. That is what I am. I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet. So, you also should wash one another's feet. I have given you an example. You should do as I have done for you."

Wow! Jesus was saying that just as He showed His Radical Love to His disciples, even though He knew one would betray Him, one would deny Him, and all the others would run in fear at His arrest, they should also go and show Radical Love to those who will treat them poorly. Jesus shared God's love for them by showing this great undeserved kindness towards them, a small picture of what He would later do on the cross, by dying for their sins. Jesus wanted His disciples to show the



same mercy and Radical Love towards others, and He wants you, World Changers, to do the same.

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TEACHER PROMPT | Ask Holy Spirit what He wants to do in this next moment. This can look like asking children to close their eyes and picture Jesus washing their feet, that the most important person in the universe, see's their sin but is choosing to wash their feet and chose to die for all their sin. You can activate them by asking them to raise their hand/come forward if they also want to share this Radical Love with others.

SALVATION + DISCUSSION

TEACHER PROMPT | This invitation to an eternity with Jesus is huge! Be sensitive to what Holy Spirit wants to do in this time. Ask Him to think through your thoughts and speak through your mouth!

SAY | God loves YOU so much that He gave his only Son that anyone who believes, in Jesus, might be saved and have everlasting life, John 3:16. God wants to be close to you. He has taken every step to be close to you. If you have never accepted Jesus into your heart, you can today! (You can invite children to raise hands, come forward, etc. have everyone repeat prayer together)

PRAYER | Father God you are Holy. Holy Spirit, we thank you for all that you teach us and that we get to know you Jesus, we thank you for laying down your life so that we can be close to you. Jesus, would you forgive us from our sins. Would you come live in our heart forever. Amen.

CELEBRATION | At TLC one of our values is Celebration. If you made this amazing decision to give your life to Jesus today, please stand up so we can CELEBRATE YOU! Let's Celebrate our friends who gave their life to Jesus today! WOOHOO!!

NOTE | List names of any child that received Jesus today on the Feedback Sheet

ASK | Encourage children to participate by answering the below questions:



- + What did Holy Spirit highlight to you in this story today?
- + How do you think you would react in this situation if you were there?
- + What is our memory verse?
- + What was our revelation?
- + What was our Bible Lesson about?

BENEDICTION PRAYER

"Teach us your ways that we may know you and find your favor." – Exodus 33:13

BIBLE TRIVIA

1. What was our memory verse?

("He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you, but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?" Micah 6:8)

2. What was our revelation?

(God gives His radical love)

3. What was our Bible Story about?

(Jesus washing His disciples' feet and telling them to share this same love.)

4. What is the verse we have repeated every week about Radical love?

(Matthew 22:37-38 "...Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Love Him with all your mind.")

5. How did Peter respond to Jesus washing his feet?

(At first, he did not want Jesus to wash his feet, then he wanted Him to wash his whole body.)

6. What did Jesus command His disciples to do at the end?

(To do the same to others, to show the same love to others that He showed to them.)



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FEEDBACK
Any feedback for the curriculum or classroom can be submitted on this page. Your name and classroom name:
Feedback:
CELEBRATIONS
In a value of celebration, list any teacher or child wins such as salvation stories, teacher celebrations, anyone walking in the values, etc. Celebrations: