



SMALL GROUP GUIDE

The Loving Humility of Christ (John 13:1-17)

Key Takeaways:

1. Jesus displayed sacrificial love through His humility in washing the disciples' feet.
2. We must accept Christ's humility to be cleansed from sin.
3. Christ's humility is an example for us to follow in our own lives.

Discussion Questions:

1. What stood out to you most from the message? Why?
2. Read John 13:1-5. How does Jesus' act of washing the disciples' feet demonstrate His love? Why do you think this act was so significant?
3. Peter initially refused to let Jesus wash his feet. Have you ever struggled to accept help or service from others? Why do you think this can be challenging?
4. How does Jesus' statement in verse 8 ("If I do not wash you, you have no share with me") relate to our spiritual cleansing and salvation?
5. Discuss the difference between the "bath" of salvation and the ongoing "foot washing" of sanctification. How have you experienced this in your own life?
6. Read John 13:12-17. How does Jesus challenge His disciples (and us) to follow His example?
7. In what ways do you find it difficult to serve others with humility? What barriers or excuses do you often face?
8. How might our relationships and communities change if we consistently practiced Christ-like humility and service?

Practical Applications:

1. This week, intentionally look for opportunities to serve others in humble ways. Share your experiences with the group next time.
2. Reflect on areas in your life where pride may be hindering your relationships or spiritual growth. Pray for God's help in cultivating humility.
3. Practice allowing others to serve you this week. Notice any discomfort and discuss why it might be challenging to receive help.
4. Memorize Philippians 2:3-4 as a reminder of Christ-like humility in our daily interactions.