



Things to Fight For | A Heart of Service
April 7, 2024 | John 13:1-17
Questions for Study and Group Discussion

*** Before you begin, please read John 13:1-17*

1. Have you ever had your feet washed, or have you ever washed someone else's feet as a part of a Christian/church service or experience? If so, what was this experience like for you?
2. Why was this such a low act of service in the first century—in Jesus's day and age?
3. In Jesus's act of washing his disciples' feet, what does this teach us about the nature of who God is?
4. Why does Jesus even wash Judas's feet, despite knowing what He knows? (...the passage implies that Jesus washes every disciple's feet.)
5. Read John 13:12-17 again. What is Jesus clearly calling his followers to do? Do you think Jesus is telling us to still literally wash each other's feet, or is this symbolic of humble and sacrificial service toward others?
6. What is one area of your life where you can begin to serve others practically?
7. Why can serving others be so difficult?
8. The key to this whole passage is verse 7. What does Jesus mean when He says this?
9. Look at verse 8 again. What will begin to change in our lives if we allow Jesus to wash us?
10. What was Jesus's ultimate motive for washing the disciples' feet? (Hint: see vs. 1.) How does this apply to us as well, as His followers today?
11. **Challenge:** Commit to doing at least one practical act of service for someone you love this week.