

**Foot Washing for Fellowship**

John 13:1-17

**Shocking foot washing by Jesus (1-5)**

- ◆ First we're told Jesus and Judas are on two opposite missions, with emphasis on Jesus "knowing" (2x). He knows His origins and fate.
- ◆ Why an unused towel / basin / water? Jesus' plan? See Lk. 22:24ff.
- ◆ Jesus' actions shock everyone and it's terribly awkward for all there.

**Interruption: conflict over foot washing turns theological (6-11)**

- ◆ Peter confronts Jesus and isn't satisfied with a *later understanding*.
  - ◆ Jesus' hardline response turns suddenly very theological:
    - + *washing* = double meaning here (clean off dirt / sin)
    - + *bath / clean* = relationship with Jesus (justification)
    - + *washing feet* = fellowship and ministry with Jesus (sanctification)
- No part* (8) is loss of fellowship, clarified in 15:1-8.  
Continual *cleansing* is crucial for believers, I Jn. 1:9

**Shocking foot washing by Jesus explained (12-17)**

- ◆ Jesus' original point of foot washing = they must adopt His philosophy of ministry as noted in Mk. 10:43-45, Luke 9:23, 24 / Phil. 2:4ff.
- ◆ Are you getting your feet washed? How about finding feet to wash?



**THE UPPER ROOM DISCOURSE**

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Foot Washing Betrayal announced	Answers to: Thomas, Philip, Judas	Commands: to abide, to love, to testify	Promises: of Holy Spirit, of reunion, of answers	Prayer for: Himself, Disciples, future Disciples
<b>INSTRUCTIONS</b>			<b>INTERCESSION</b>	
Farewell: Departure announced Comfort offered Directions given Predictions of future Naming of successor →			Holy Spirit's ministry The Helper The Interpreter The Witness The Convicter The Revealer	