

**Servant Leadership** Message 10

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## Outline

"I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you."

John 13:15 (NLT)

# A. Introduction

(John 13:15; Acts 4:13)

3. An to follow. (John 13:12-17. C/R: Philippians 3:17; 1 Peter 2:12,16)

### B. Servant Leadership involves...

1. initiative. (John 13:1-5. C/R: Proverbs 3:27-28; 25:21; James 4:17)

Answers: 1. Exercising 2. Encountering 3. Example

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- - 2. shame. (John 13:6-11. C/R: Mark 10:45; Romans 10:11; Philippians 2:6-8)

# Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit <u>brookwoodchurch.org/adults</u>.

#### **Conversation Starter**

Describe a time you received great customer service.

#### Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Then ask God for insight and direction as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

#### **Bible Study and Group Discussion**

Read John 13:1-17.
1. Why did Jesus wash the disciples' feet?

- 2. Jesus knew Judas would betray Him, yet He still washed his feet. Have you ever been betrayed? How did you respond?
- 3. What's the relationship between forgiveness and servanthood?
- 4. What did Jesus mean by His statements in vs. 15-16?
- 5. Serving might look like giving a little more than we thought we could or cancelling plans to help someone in need. What are other examples?
- 6. In the act of washing the disciples' feet, Jesus also scrubbed away every ethnic, religious, social and economic hierarchy. List ways servanthood goes against the grain in our culture. See also Matthew 10:16-20.
- 7. When has Jesus' love motivated you to serve? See also 1 John 4:19.
- 8. Jesus showed the full extent of His love by washing the disciples' feet. How do you need Jesus to love you right now? What keeps you from accepting or receiving God's love?

9. Loving others often involves sacrifice. How have you found this to be true in your own life? See also Romans 12:1; Philippians 2:1-8.

10. What does Jesus mean when He says the disciples are clean (vs. 10)?

11.Name several things this passage teaches you about Jesus.

12. What's your biggest takeaway from this week's lesson?

#### **Spiritual Practice**

A spiritual practice is something we can do to help us live in and enjoy God's grace. We hope these practices become a regular part of your life so that walking and talking with God is the most natural thing you do.

Consider ways you (or your group) can put humble service into action. Be intentional about serving people God has put in your life.

Whatever it takes, Lord, increase my capacity to love until I love You with all my heart, soul, strength and mind, and love my neighbor as I love myself.

#### **Memory Verse**

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#### **Daily Reading**

Day 1:	Acts 4:13	Day 4:	1 Peter 2:15-17
Day 2:	Proverbs 3:27-28	Day 5:	1 John 4:16-21
Day 3:	Philippians 2:1-8		

#### **Prepare for Next Sunday**

Next Sunday, September 4, we'll conclude our series titled *extraORDINARY*. To prepare, read **Matthew 26:17-30.** 



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