

# The Lord Who Washes Feet

**John 13:1-35 – Lee Marshall**

*What image comes to mind as you think of the word "leadership"? What characteristics are common in the kind of people that our society tends to elevate to the position of leadership?*

## Read John 13:1-11

1. There are a few indications as to why this "foot washing" should be understood as acting out what Jesus is about to do on the cross ... what are they?
2. John provides us with a some key insights into Jesus in verse 3 ... what are they and why is Jesus' action in verse 4 such a surprise given this information?

How do verses 1 & 2 help resolve this? (note also Jesus' constant reference to His time [hour] in 2:4; 7:6,8; 12:23, 27)

3. Peter misunderstands Jesus in verse 8 and again in verse 9. What is he misunderstanding on each occasion? (see John 1:29 for the permanent cleansing Jesus is pointing to in his foot washing action)

## THINK IT THROUGH

- Like Peter, maybe we struggle to grasp this lesson too. Why do *we* find this so hard to learn?

## Read John 13:12-35

4. How does verse 16 describe genuine discipleship? (cf. 2 Corinthians 4:5 Who does Paul view as his master in this passage?)
5. What do you understand verse 17 to be saying?

## THINK IT THROUGH

- According to this passage, what is the evidence that a person has actually understood Jesus' sacrificial work on the Cross?
- In what way does the account of Judas fit into the overall teaching of this passage?
- Think of the role you can be playing at mpc. What opportunities exist for you to lovingly serve other believers during this next week?
- What is it in this passage that prevents us re-entering the world of legalism?
- How do you think this teaching might affect our priorities / the way we use our time?



Invite a friend to our upcoming....

## **Food For Thought Dinner**

Thursday evening, May 27<sup>th</sup>

**Come and hear Bryson Smith**

examine the question

## **“Hasn’t Science Disproved Christianity?”**

**(Bryson is well qualified, with a PhD in zoology. He ministers  
at Dubbo Presbyterian Church)**

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**Bible Study for week 2-8 May - John 13**

Bible Teaching Weekend Preparation

### **Bible Teaching Weekend Program**

#### **Saturday May 7**

530pm - Session 1

630pm – BBQ Dinner

730pm – Session 2

815pm – Supper

845pm – Session 3

930pm – Close

#### **Sunday May 8**

9am – Session 4

1030am – Session 4 repeated

715pm – Session 5