



Talk Outline - John 13 - Love & Serve like Jesus

**ALL NATIONS
CHURCH**

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- Setting: - Final hours before cross (1) - Jesus speaks plainly about what is to happen (19, 21, 38) - He gives a new commandment (34)

1. Jesus leading by example (3-17)

- i. The disciples ignore the task (Luke 22v24)
- ii. Jesus knew this was his last night before the cross (1-3)
- iii. Jesus is their teacher (3)
- iv. Jesus gives us the perfect object lesson on how to serve

—> When do we find it difficult to do this?

—> Nobody is too important to do humble tasks

2. Who did Jesus serve?

- i. Judas, who would betray him (18-19, 21, 26)
- ii. Peter, who would deny him (38)
- iii. All of the disciples (19)

—> What do we learn of this?

3. The New Commandment

- i. The key point is that we love as Jesus loves
- ii. The “hallmark” of true christianity & effective evangelism
- iii. This radical love took christianity from Jerusalem to the nations
- iv. Out of this would flow: Abolition of slavery/ desire to end child labour/ the fight against discrimination/ education of people/ transformation of prisons

Discussion Questions in Breakouts

- 1 What is amazing about Jesus’ washing of his disciples’ feet?
- 2 How does Jesus’ example challenge you when he tells us to do the same?
- 3 Why did the disciples need to be told about Judas’ betrayal and Peter’s denial?
- 4 What is the difference between the two, how this might this affect fellowship in a church? Cf John 21v15-17