

Sun Morning

Led To Love Like Christ

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Text: John 13:1-5 during time of Passover

"Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end. 2 And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him; 3 Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God; 4 He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. 5 After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded." (John 13:1-5)

→ After Passover supper: Mt 26:20-25; Mk 14:12, 14:17-21; Lk 22:3-6, 21-23

INTRODUCTION

- King of kings & Lord of lords washing His disciples' feet
- Jesus knew this was His last week of life
- this last week of Christ's suffering

1. WHAT DOES CHRIST'S LOVE TO

Others MEAN?

- A. Doing What Is right (correct) for Someone, with Someone, and to Someone

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Command-
ments

"For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. 10 Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law." (Romans 13:9-10)

- B. Giving Up Your Rights and possessions for Others

"Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God; 4 He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself." (John 13:3-4)

- Jesus led by Holy Spirit to love His disciples to the end of His life

- Becoming a disciple means choosing to become a servant to all

C. Showing compassion for Someone's Hurt and Suffering

"And they departed thence, and passed through Galilee; and he would not that any man should know it. 34 But they held their peace: for by the way they had disputed among themselves, who should be the greatest. 35 And he sat down, and called the twelve, and saith unto them, If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all." (Mark 9:30, 34-35)

2. HOW ARE YOU led TO SHOW CHRIST'S LOVE? (leading of Spirit)

A. With a passion to Be Used by God - team work with God

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!" (Matthew 23:37)

"I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting. 7 For the Lord GOD will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed." (Isaiah 50:6-7)

THE HOLY SPIRIT LEADS WITH A BURDEN

THE HOLY SPIRIT ALLOWS YOU TO BE A BLESSING

THE HOLY SPIRIT BUILDS A DESIRE FOR OTHERS

B. By Becoming dead to Self

"After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded." (John 13:5)

NOTHING WAS BENEATH JESUS - Jesus as servant

TRUE LOVE IS DEATH TO SELF FOR THE SAKE OF ANOTHER'S GOOD

C. By Observing needs of Others

"If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. 15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you. 16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him." (John 13:14-16)

GET YOUR FOCUS OFF OF YOURSELF, WATCH
FOR NEEDS

TAKE INITIATIVE

3. WHERE DOES THE Holy Spirit BEGIN TO LEAD IN US TO LOVE?

- A. He Causes Us to remember What Christ Did for You

*"Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren."
(1 John 3:16)*

*"In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins."
(1 John 4:9-10)*

- B. He Makes Us realize Our Responsibility and Opportunity to Love

*"Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. 8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love."
(1 John 4:7-8)*

- C. He Enables Us to respond Like Christ Did for Others

*"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."
(2 Timothy 1:7)*

CONCLUSION

Spirit of Christ (spirit of prophecy)
- 1 Pet 1:11 Holy Spirit signals the
testimony of the gospel
* the suffering of Christ before hand
* the glory that should follow later



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