

## **Community Group Discussion Guide**

October 13, 2013

Week 6 - Servanthood John 13:1-17

Read John 13:1-17 and Luke 22:7-30 before answering the following questions.

## Introduction

In this sermon series we're looking at nine of these 'crux of the matter' statements that are made by Jesus about some of life's most critical issues. Issues that have the potential to be life changing for every one of us.

## **Questions for Study**

- 1. Describe the last time you were faced with the decision on whether or not to be the person to serve? A situation where you gave up what you thought was your right and you took the role of a servant.
- 2. What stops you from serving?
- 3. Describe the most recent time in your life when another person served you when anyone...yourself included...had no reason to expect them to do this?
- 4. Write down everything that took place on the evening Jesus shared his final Passover Meal with his disciples before his crucifixion. (Use the back of this sheet to write out your answer.)
- 5. Peter had his own reaction to Jesus washing their feet. What might have been your reaction? Why?
- 6. What's the significance of the Passover Feast to Jesus Christ and what he would do in the next few days?
- 7. When you read these two passages of scripture, is there anything in what the disciples did that surprises you? What impression are you given of these men from what they did?
- 8. Why do you think they did this?
- 9. What do you think you would have done if you were in the room with these men and Jesus? Why?
- 10. What does it do to you to realize that the creator and sustainer of the universe washed the dirty, grimy, smelly feet of twelve men?
- 11. What do you think this represents? (Think through each step of what Jesus did to answer this question.)
- 12. What does it take for a person to be willing to serve? (Steve will talk through this in Sunday's sermon.)
- 13. In the end, what does Jesus say the disciples will experience if they serve?