

WEEK 3: Humility in Action: The King Who Washes Feet

GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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MAIN POINT

In the upper room, Jesus removes His outer robe and does the unthinkable—He washes His disciples' feet. Peter's protest speaks for us all: this feels wrong, backward, and beneath dignity. But Jesus insists the path to greatness runs through the towel and basin. He took off His royal crown and royal robe to serve us too and has commanded us to serve others.

LEAN IN BREAK THE ICE

What are some chores you actually enjoy doing?

What are some of the most important qualities of good leadership, in your mind?

LOOK DOWN LOOK AT GOD'S WORD

Read John 13:1-7.

What do we learn about Jesus in this passage? Let's list some things we observe about who He is and His character.

Why does Peter protest Jesus washing his feet, and what does Jesus mean in His response to Peter?

If you could summarize the lesson in this scene, what is Jesus trying to teach His disciples in this interaction?

LOOK OUT
IDENTIFY THE
RELEVANCE OF GOD'S
WORD IN THE WORLD

How does our culture define power, influence, and leadership today, and how does that clash with what we see here in John 13?

How does social media make it more difficult today to live a quiet, humble life?

LOOK IN
APPLY GOD'S WORD
TO YOUR LIFE

What does it actually look like to live with humility in everyday life? With your spouse? At work? With your kids?

How might you serve others more this week than you usually do?

Would you say you struggle more with pride or insecurity? How might you overcome those feelings in pursuit of true humility?