
The Gospel Of John
"Servant Leadership"
John 13:1-17

11-16-25

Introduction: Today we focus on one of the more familiar experiences in Jesus' life, the Last Supper.

1. The first 12 chapters cover 3 ½ years, the last 9 chapters focus on 44 days, so we have much more detail.
2. The evening is filled with powerful moments.
 - Jesus will wash the disciples' feet.
 - Jesus will institute the Lord's Supper
 - Judas will betray Jesus.
 - Jesus will continue His teaching/training ministry.
 - Gethsemane
3. This morning we'll focus on Jesus washing the disciples' feet.
4. In our world, leadership has become a privileged position by and large.
 - Leaders are in control, leaders are served, leaders are richly rewarded.
5. This is not the model of scripture. There we find servant leadership.
 - Instead of being served, leaders serve. Their purpose is the well-being of those they lead.
6. Our world would be a better place if we had more servant leaders, Jesus shows us how we can be that kind of leader.

I. A Picture Of Servan Leadership

A. Jewish Culture

B. Humility

C. Resistance

II. The Lesson Of Servant Leadership

A. A Question

B. A Model

C. The Principle

Conclusion: Do you see what I mean when I say, the world would be a better place if we had more servant leaders?

1. Our homes, places of employment, our government, our churches, any organization would be radically transformed by servant leadership.
2. You may not be in a leadership position, but at its most basic level, leadership is about influence.
3. As you follow Jesus' example, you are giving God the tools He needs to work through you to reach others!

