

D6 EveryDay™ Parent Page

Date | **March 14, 2021** Family Theme | **Jesus Modeled Humility** Study Text | **John 13:1-20**

Objective: Help your children understand that we should humbly serve others, following Jesus' example.

How This Lesson Fits in the Story of the Bible: This lesson is set near the end of Jesus' earthly life and ministry just before He was arrested, tried, crucified, and raised from the dead to give us eternal life.

Bible Basics: Go over the following question and answer each day this week and work with family members to do so as well. **What is the Washing of the Saints' Feet? Answer:** It is a commemoration of Jesus washing the disciples' feet, which teaches humility and reminds the believer of the necessity of a daily cleansing from sin (John 13:2-17).

Read the Word: John 13:1-20

Disciple Your Kids

Help your children and grandchildren understand that Jesus loves us so much He was willing to humble Himself and serve us and die for us. We respond by serving Him and serving those around us.



Key Truth: Jesus Modeled Humble Service (John 13:1-11)

In spite of the fact that the Lord knew He was about to be crucified, His thoughts remained focused on His small band of followers. He loved them right to the end or to the point of dying for them. Jesus rose from the dinner table, tied a towel around His waist like a servant, and began to wash the feet of the disciples, even the one He knew would betray Him. Jesus deserved to be served. He deserved the right to call out the orders and have others fall in line in obedience. Instead, He knelt down with a pan of water and served the ones He had created.



Key Truth: Jesus Calls Us to Humble Service (John 13:12-20)

Jesus was master, teacher, and Lord, but that did not prevent him from serving like the lowest servants of the day who washed the dirty feet of guests as they entered a house. He did this to show His disciples that they should serve one another. Because He, their Lord and Master (teacher, rabbi) had willingly and humbly washed their feet, they ought to be willing to do the same for one another. It is clear Jesus was teaching we should humble ourselves and serve others, no matter our position or station in life. He left us that example, and we have the privilege of modeling our lives after His.

Discussion Starters

Use one or more of the following questions as discussion starters with your kids this week.

- What is humility?
- How did Christ demonstrate humility on the night He was to be arrested?
- What was Jesus' purpose in washing His disciple's feet?
- How does pride prevent people from humbly serving others?

- What are some ways we can humbly serve others?
- Whom could you serve this week and how will you serve them?
- **For Elementary:** How did Christ demonstrate humility on the night He was to be arrested?
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Everyday Extras

Have a pedicure night for the family, including soaking, trimming, scrubbing, and massaging one another's feet. Let everyone participate (even people with ugly feet!) and care for each another with age-appropriate tasks. (Even very small children can scrub or rub in foot cream!) Yes, you'll have to get down on the floor, and it may be silly or embarrassing. Talk about the way Jesus, the King of Kings, knelt to wash His disciples' feet. His humility showed them true greatness is found in serving others. He showed His love by doing the everyday acts of service. Name some of the ways you can humbly serve one another in your family this week. Take the show on the road and minister to someone else who needs your service too!

Preschool Highlights for SQUARE 1 & ROUND 2

Today your child learned the God gave us verses in the Bible to remind us to encourage others. When we encourage someone, we are helping him or her be inspired or continue to do the right thing. **The Bible Teaches Me to Be Helpful** by being an encourager.