



# JOHN 13:1-17, 34-35



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## **UNDERSTANDING THE STORY:**

- It was almost time for Jesus to die on the cross, but before that happened, Jesus was going to teach His disciples something important about loving people.
- Do you think we should listen closely to what Jesus said right before He died on the cross?
- Maybe, since Jesus knew He was about ready to die, Jesus had something very important to teach His disciples. Do you think Jesus wants to teach us right now too?

#### When this story happened, it was polite for a servant to wash the feet of the people who came into the house.

- Why do you think it was important for their feet to get washed? What kind of roads did they walk on?
- Why do you think this was the servant's job?

#### After supper (dinner) Jesus got up and did something amazing.

- When Jesus got up, what did He take and put around Himself? What did He pour into a bowl?
- What did He begin to do with the water and towel? Was Jesus doing the job of a servant?

#### Jesus was showing His disciples how He wanted them to live.

- How did Jesus want them to live? What does it mean to be a servant? (To see something that needs to be done and then to do it.)
- Was Jesus showing what it was like to be a servant?
- Do you think Jesus wanted His disciples to look for other ways (beside washing feet) that they could love and serve people?

# **SIMPLE TRUTHS:**

#### Jesus showed people how to love God and to love each other.

• Does Jesus want people today to get good at loving each other? Does God want you and me to love people?

#### Today, we don't wash the feet of other people, but there are many other ways to love people.

- What kind of things can we do to show love to each other?
- How can we use our words to show love to people?

#### Jesus commands us to love people the way He has loved us.

- Is it always easy to love other people? Who can help us love others the way that Jesus wants us to?
- When we show love to people, will our hearts feel happy?
- Is God pleased with us when we love others?

#### God tells us to love, but He also showed us how much He loves us.

- What's the biggest way God showed His love for people? Do you know what Jesus did for us?
- Now that Jesus died and came alive, what do we need to do now to be saved from sin? (Trust/believe in Him and ask forgiveness of our sins...)

#### Jesus said that people would know we are His disciples/followers if we have love for people.

• Let's pray and ask that we will love people, and then that will help them know that we love Jesus.

### AND REMEMBER...

To live your life loving God and loving people!

# **MEMORY VERSE:**

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another." John 13:34

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#### WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- Scissors
- Tape OR Glue

#### **BEFORE CLASS INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. After making your copies, use scissors to cut out the water pot.



#### **DURING CLASS INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. During class, help children tape OR glue the water pot onto their craft sheet. (Use coloring picture for placement example.)





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