

# The Gospel of John

## The Passion of Christ John 12-21



John 13:1-20

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### **PASSOVER IN JERUSALEM** (part 1) **Washing the Disciples' Feet**

#### **Introduction:**

#### **I. THE MEAL** (13:1-4)

##### A. Passover

“before the Feast of the Passover” (vs. 1)

“during supper” (vs. 2)

##### B. Plot

“Jesus, knowing that His hour had come” (vs. 1) - c.f. 2:4; 7:30; 8:20; 12:23; 13:1; 17:1

“that He would depart out of this world to the Father” (vs. 1)

“the devil having already put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon, to betray Him” (vs. 2)

#### Purpose:

“having loved His own who were in the world” (vs. 1)

“He loved them to the end” (vs. 1)

“got up from supper, and laid aside His garments; and taking a towel, He girded Himself” (vs. 4)

#### **II. THE MODEL** (13:5-11)

##### A. Procedure

“He poured water into the basin and began to wash the disciples' feet” (vs. 5)

“and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded” (vs. 5)

“He came to Simon Peter.” (vs. 6)

“Lord, do You wash my feet?” (vs. 6)

“What I do you do not realize now, but you will understand hereafter.” (vs. 7)

##### B. Protest

“Peter said to Him, ‘Never shall You wash my feet!’” (vs. 8)

“If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me.” (vs. 8)

“Lord, then wash not only my feet, but also my hands and my head.” (vs. 9)

Purpose:

“He who has bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you.” (vs. 10)

“For He knew the one who was betraying Him; for this reason He said, ‘Not all of you are clean.’” (vs. 11)

### III. THE MESSAGE (13:12-20)

#### A. Pattern

“when He had washed their feet, and taken His garments and reclined at the table again” (vs. 12)

“Do you know what I have done to you?” (vs. 12)

“You call Me Teacher and Lord; and you are right, for so I am.” (vs. 13)

“If I then, the Lord and the Teacher, washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet.” (vs. 14)

“For I gave you an example that you also should do as I did to you.” (vs. 15)

#### B. Principle

“Truly, truly, I say to you, a slave is not greater than his master, nor is one who is sent greater than the one who sent him.” (vs. 16)

“If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.” (vs. 17)

Purpose:

“I do not speak of all of you. I know the ones I have chosen” (vs. 18)

“but it is that the Scripture may be fulfilled, ‘HE WHO EATS MY BREAD HAS LIFTED UP HIS HEEL AGAINST ME.’” (vs. 18)

“From now on I am telling you before it comes to pass, so that when it does occur, you may believe that I am He.” (vs. 19)

“Truly, truly, I say to you, he who receives whomever I send receives Me; and he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me.” (vs. 20)

#### Conclusion:

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- 5)

#### Food for Thought:

- 1) What is significant about Jesus washing His disciples’ feet?
- 2) What are some practical ways that you can get involved in “foot-washing” (humble service)?
- 3) Which is harder: to wash someone else’s dirty feet or to let someone wash your feet?
- 4) What does Scripture teach us “before it comes to pass” that helps us to face uncertainties in our future?