

## Washing Feet

*Jesus got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet . . . "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. . . . "Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set an example that you should do as I have done for you." (John 13:4-5, 12, 14-15, NIV)*

Imagine it: some awesome dignitary shows up unexpectedly at your door. With excitement and great humility you receive him as an honored guest. You spare no efforts to make him feel comfortable. Then he insists on cleaning your bathrooms.

You'd probably react like Peter did: "No! You'll never clean my bathrooms!" But Jesus' demonstration was powerful. As a people, we're more inclined to serve ourselves than others.

"Lord, I'm too busy to wash feet. I have more important things to do."

But Jesus wasn't too busy. In the final hours of His ministry, with so much yet for His disciples to learn, He taught them this. He changed His clothes, got down on His hands and knees, and washed feet.

Lord, teach me to wash feet. I'm not too old to learn. Help me put my priorities where You put them. Help me focus my days on humble service to my family, my coworkers, and to the least ones around me. Give me Your Spirit and Your heart, Jesus. Teach me to wash feet.

Listen and sing:  
**Hymn: *Here at Your Feet, Lord***  
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