

# Gathering Time - Serve

Once a week, on a day of your choosing, we're asking you to make a discussion about priorities a priority. Use this as a guide for your time together with your family or friends. Perhaps the words on this paper will only be the beginning of your priority conversation. Blessings on your Gathering Time.

## Read John 13:12-17

This passage immediately follows Jesus' washing of his disciples' feet. To wash another's feet was a task that was universally reserved for a servant or slave. The disciples must have been completely caught off guard. In fact, Jesus asks them in verse 12, "Do you understand what I've done for you?" This was most likely Jesus' way of helping them make sense of the situation.

Let's see if we can spend a little time making sense of what Jesus did here. In verse 15 Jesus says, "I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you." Aside from this very obvious example (washing their feet), what other examples of servanthood do we know from Jesus' life that could also be great examples for us? In other words, what are some things Jesus did that show he truly had a servant's heart?

Pray together. Ask God to help you recognize opportunities to serve others and to act on them in very tangible ways. Consider someone in your world whom you might be able to serve this week. Pray that God would help you know how to best serve them, and then go do it!

