

We are Church

We are servant-hearted

Read Mark 10:35-45; John 13:1-17; Phil. 2:1-8; 3 John 9; Rom. 1:1; 2 Cor. 8:9; John 5:30; 17:4,5.

1. In which way does the secular world differ from God's kingdom in its view of greatness? How would you feel if you were one of the 10 disciples who heard James and John make their request to Jesus (Mark 10:35-45)?
2. Write down in no more than 2 sentences what you believe is the essence of being a servant of God. (Be ready with pens and paper!)
3. Read John 13:3-4. Why do you think John connects what Jesus knew about himself to his actions in washing the disciples' feet? [notice the word "so"]. What is our lesson?
4. If Jesus had come to wash your feet in the Upper Room, how would you have reacted?
5. Do you believe that servanthood is more a matter of the attitude of our hearts than the performing of menial tasks?
6. Steve told the story of Henri Nouwen and Adam. Mention one deed of service done by another Christian that has impressed you? (You don't need to mention any names, especially if that person is in your group. This would cause embarrassment!)
7. Jesus not only told his disciples to be servants, he acted as an example. Why is it so important for Christians to do the same? What happens if our walk does not match our talk?
8. In which practical ways can we "wash one another's feet" in 2017?
9. In which ways have you personally been blessed through serving the Lord (see v17)?