

Devotional and Discussion Guide - John 13:1-14

This resource can be used to guide your personal anchoring time throughout the week, a small group discussion, or even a one-on-one conversation.

#### **READ**

# Begin by reading John 13:1-14.

- As you read, note or underline what Jesus "knows" and what Jesus "does." How does what Jesus knows connect to what he does in these verses?
- Why do you think Peter was opposed to having Jesus wash his feet? Why does Peter have a change of heart? How would you react to Jesus washing your feet?
- What questions do you have about these verses?

### REFLECT

- **ON LOVE:** Reread John 13:1-5. According to Jesus' example in these verses, what does it mean to love one another? How would you describe Jesus' love? What does the love of Jesus mean to your life?
- ON SERVICE: Reread John 13:6-11. According to Jesus' example in these verses, what does it mean to serve one another? Is there an area of your life where it is difficult to love and serve those around you? What's the issue behind the issue? How can you intentionally love and serve those individuals this week?
- **ON LEADERSHIP:** Reread John 13:12-14. What is the connection between service and leadership? How does Jesus show us that? Who and where do you lead? (Hint: everyone leads someone!) Are you leading through service?

### PRAY

- Begin your time of prayer by reading **Galatians 5:13-14**. Read it slowly.
- Use these verses to guide your prayer. Here are some things to get you started.

**FOCUS** on what freedom in Christ calls us to - serving one another humbly in love.

THANK God that He first loved us.

**CONFESS** how you have not loved your neighbor as yourself.

**ASK** God to help you keep in step with the Spirit, loving and serving like Jesus.

## \*Keep going this week by reading these scriptures:

Matthew 22:36-40 1 Peter 4:9-11 Philippians 2:1-11 Romans 12:9-13

