

Maranatha Men's Training Camp

20/20 Vision

Clearer View in 2020

A Cleansing of the Heart...John 13:1-17

*"If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you."
...John 13:14-15 (ESV)*

*"Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it's thinking of yourself less."
...C.S. Lewis*

*"Every time we deny ourselves in order to serve someone else, we grow in Christ."
...David Jeremiah*

*"I believe that many professing Christians are cold and uncomfortable because they are doing nothing for their Lord; but if they actively served him, their blood would begin to circulate spiritually, and it would be well with them."
...Charles Spurgeon*

Words of Wisdom

A Lesson on How to Live Our Lives...

1. Setting the Scene...

Scripture: John 12, Luke 22:14-30, John 13:1-2

2. God's Heart for People...Our Heart for People...

Scripture: John 13:3-5, Philippians 2:6-8 & 2:3-5, John 13:34-35, 1Corinthians 13:1-8, 1John 2:5-6, 1John 3:16-18

3. Peter's Heart for the Lord Jesus...Our Heart for the Lord Jesus...

Scripture: John 13:6-17

4. Two Main Points....

- How we Can be...
- How we Should be...

From the Word

Group Discussion

1. READ *John 13:1-5* together...

After three years of teaching the Apostles, how do you think Jesus must have felt as He watched them enter the room and pass by the water basin to avoid being the “Servant” of one another?

- Can you think of any examples in the Gospels where Jesus had shown them by example how to love and care for others, even when inconvenient or difficult? *(It's an Open Book Test, so take a moment to look through your Bible if you'd like...it won't take long to find some!)*

2. How do we respond when we see people in our lives who are in need of care, help, or love, ...but we feel tired, too busy, or reluctant to get involved? ...though we could offer help if we chose to? Why?/Explain...

- Have we been jaded by our own past experiences with helping people, our pride, or our own selfishness, to the point that we are reluctant to put ourselves out for others in need? Explain...

3. READ *John 13:6-17* together...

What does Peter's response to Jesus tell you about his heart, as a man and for the Lord?

What is the lesson that Jesus was teaching Peter and the rest of the Apostles through what He did?

- Does this affect your way of thinking in any way? Explain...
- What are you going to do about it? What have you learned from tonight's discussion that you will apply to your daily life, beginning now?

Prayer

Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)

How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?

Discuss your answer with your group...

- Prayer *(Relationship)*
- God's Word *(Knowledge and Understanding)*
- Worship *(Adoration)*
- Fellowship *(Encouragement and Accountability)*
- Service *(Caring for Others, Action to your Belief)*