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The Divine Spiritual Power Of Foot Washing

John 13:4-5,12-15 KJV - 4] *He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. 5] After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded. 12] So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you? 13] Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am. 14] If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. 15] For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.*

Jesus decision to wash his disciple's feet was precipitated by an attitude the disciples had acquired that Jesus was seeking to eradicate from their spirit and their conversation BEFORE his departure back to the Father.

Mark 9:31-34 KJV - [31] *For he taught his disciples, and said unto them, The Son of man is delivered into the hands of men, and they shall kill him; and after that he is killed, he shall rise the third day. 32] But they understood not that saying, and were afraid to ask him. [33] And he came to Capernaum: and being in the house he asked them, What was it that ye disputed among yourselves by the way? 34] But they held their peace: for by the way they had disputed among themselves, who should be the greatest.*

Matthew 20:25-28 KJV - [25] *But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. 26] But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; 27] And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: [28] Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.*

- **PowerPoint:** The great challenge of the church today is the same issue that Jesus sought to address with the disciples when he washed their feet. They saw one another as each other's equal, but not as each other's servant.

But here the highest of the high performed the duty of the lowest of the low, to give the disciples an extreme mental makeover concerning what it really means to be a follower of Christ.

Philippians 2:3-7 KJV - [3] *Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. 4] Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. 5] Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: 6] Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: 7] But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:*

5 REASONS WHY WE WASH FEET

1: To teach us *The Power Of Humility.*

- **PowerPoint:** Anyone can be great because everyone can serve. +MLK



2: To illustrate *The Spirit Of Humility* that is necessary to both give and receive acts of service.

3: The foot is a gateway to the organs inside the body. All the organs of the body (brain, eye, heart, etc) are connected to the foot (like an electrical circuit). By washing the feet, Jesus gave a illustrated sermon of the necessity for all the inner parts of our total being to be washed.

Jeremiah 31:33 KJV - [33] *But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.*

The human body has seven spiritual centers, which correspond to the Endocrine System in Biology. Spiritually, when we wash one another's feet we purify the spiritual centers of our trichotomy.

Luke 11:34-36 KJV - [34] *The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; but when thine eye is evil, thy body also is full of darkness. 35] Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness. 36] If thy whole body therefore be full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light, as when the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light.*

4: The foot is the foundation of the body. The strength of a house is in the foundation. Every part of the body is connected to the feet. Whatever you do to the feet, you do to all parts of the body.

➤ **PowerPoint:** Wherever you go this year, your feet (spiritual) will have to take you there.

Hebrews 12:12-13 KJV - [12] *Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees; 13] And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.*

Exodus 3:1-5 KJV - [1] *Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb. [2] And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed. 3] And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. 4] And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I. 5] And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.*

If there is Holy ground the antithesis is also true. There is also unholy ground. Very significantly, when the feet of a person is washed with the blood of Jesus, the powers of darkness released into the earth in those places cannot affect the saints who step on them.