



NEW HOPE REIMAGINED

“What if we all serve?”

John 13:1-15

LG Notes

GETTING STARTED

1. Google “foot washing in biblical times” and discuss the purpose of this act.

-Why was it important?

-Who typically did it?

2. What spiritual parallels does foot washing have?

3. Discuss how serving others has blessed you.

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Read John 13:1-15. Why do you think Jesus chose “foot washing” to teach his disciples service to others?

Note: Don’t forget that Jesus also washed the feet of Judas (John 13:2).

2. Why do you think Peter objected to Jesus washing his feet?

3. Read verses 13-15 again. Discuss the significance of Jesus’ statement and how it applies to us today.

4. Read I Corinthians 12:7 and answer the following:

-Who has spiritual gifts?

-What’s the purpose of spiritual gifts?

5. Read Ephesians 4:11-12 and answer the following:

- What is one of the primary roles for church leaders (pastors)?
- Who are the church leaders responsible to “equip”?
- What are church leaders to “equip” the people to do?

6. Each of us is supposed to play a role in the local church and in the greater Kingdom of God (Romans 12:4-5). Why do you think it's often difficult for churches to recruit volunteers? Why do you think many people are apprehensive when it comes to serving in the local church?

7. Do you believe we will all be held accountable for whether or not we utilized the gifts God has given to us? Why or why not?

8. **(OPTIONAL)** Discuss some of your thoughts on some of the people that Pastor Rick spoke to last Sunday.

APPLYING THE MESSAGE

1. Read I Corinthians 12 on your own at home.

- Which spiritual gift(s) do you believe you have?
- How can you use those spiritual gifts to serve others?

2. What are some things you can do in order to be a blessing to New Hope by using your time and gifts?