

STANLEY FAITH EVANGELICAL FREE

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John Series

So, You Want To Be Great!

Text John 13:12-20 (ESV)

12 When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? 13 You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. 14 If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. 15 For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. 16 Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant[a] is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. 17 If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them. 18 I am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have chosen. But the Scripture will be fulfilled, 'He who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me.' 19 I am telling you this now, before it takes place, that when it does take place you may believe that I am he. 20 Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever receives the one I send receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me."

Vs. 12 When He had finished washing their feet...Jesus asks the question, "Do you understand what I have done for you?"

Jesus gives us an example of servant leadership, He humbles himself to give us an example to follow. What would that look like today?

Vs.13 You call me 'Teacher and 'Lord' and rightly so, for that is what I am! vs. 14 Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet."

Vs. 15 "I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you." What would this look like in today's culture?

Vs. 16 "I tell you the truth, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him." Are we a messenger? What are we communicating to our co-workers, neighbors, employers?

Vs. 17 "Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them." Preach the Gospel, if necessary use_____.

Matthew 18:4" Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of Heaven."

Life Applications: 1. What are you doing to store up treasures in Heaven? Matthew 6: 19-21 How are you using your talents to serve others? What about your church family?

Matthew 25: 40 "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."