



SERMON NOTES

Love Others - Pt. 5

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Jesus Washes His Disciples' Feet

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Key Points for Servant Hearted

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2. Humility
3. Never say never
4. The example has been set
5. Love is the motivation for serving

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Application

Servant Hearted means: We are honored to put others' needs above our own.

1. The way up is down – surrender completely to God and receive your identity from Him.
2. Humility- put on humbleness and consider others more important than yourself.
3. Never renounce a blessing the Lord has sent to you. You seek to serve, also allow yourself to be served.
4. The Example has been set to be aware of your surroundings and meet the needs of others. Foot washing may not be prevalent today, but the ACT of humbleness is still the part we should exemplify.
5. Love is the motivation for serving- Start & End with love- how you serve is a witness to your love of God and others to everyone.

Philippians 2:3-5 - **3** Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. **4** Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too. **5** You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.