

SERVING ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE

John 13:1-17

I. CHRIST IS **OMNISCIENT** AND IN CONTROL (John 13:1-18)

- A. Knowing that the time of His **sacrifice** had now come (v. 1)
- B. Knowing all of the **imperfections** of His disciples yet loving them (v. 1)
- C. Knowing that He would soon be **betrayed** by **Judas** (v. 2, 10-11, 18, 21)
- D. Knowing that the Father had given **all things** into His hands (v. 3)
- E. Knowing that he was **sent** from God to redeem mankind (v. 16)
- F. Knowing that He was **returning** to God (v.16)

II. CHRIST ACTION OF **SERVING** HIS DISCIPLES (John 13:4-12)

- A. Of **great** reputation yet making Himself of **no** reputation (*John 13:3-6*)
- B. Displaying the office of a menial **Gentile** servant (*John 13:4-5*)
 - 1. Disrobed and laid aside His garment (v. 4)
 - 2. Poured water into a basin (v. 5)
 - 3. Began to wash the disciple's feet and wipe them with a towel (v. 5)
- C. Christ's **confrontation** with Peter (*John 13:6-12*)
 - 1. Peter: Lord, doest thou wash my feet? (v. 6)
 - 2. Christ: **What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.** (v. 7)
 - 3. Peter: Thou shall never wash my feet. (v. 8)
 - 4. Christ: **If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.** (v. 8)
 - 5. Peter: Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head. (v. 9)
 - 6. Christ: **He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all.** (v. 10)

III. CHRIST'S **LESSON** TO HIS DISCIPLES AND US (John 13: 12-17)

- A. Christ: "Know ye what I have done to you?" (v. 12)
- B. Christ: You **understanding** that I am your **master** (v.13)
- C. Christ: Follow my example (vs. 14-16)
 - 1. Though I am your **master**, I have **served** you (v. 14)
 - 2. As I have served **you**, you are to serve **one another** (v. 14)
 - 3. The servant is not **greater** than His **master** (v. 16)
 - 4. He that is **sent**, is not greater than He that **sent** him (v. 16)
 - 5. If ye **know** these things, happy are ye if ye **do them** (v.17)