

INTRODUCTION

- * Two weeks ago we turned to the final day of Jesus the Messiah's earthly life and ministry with the consideration of Judas' decision to betray the Messiah.
- * Last week, we examined the Passover Seder that He held with His disciples. This was event which He declared for which He had passionately desired.
- * John begins his account of this event by stating, "Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end." (John 13:1)
- * As we continue to consider this important event, we need to consider the "Mind of Christ" which Paul declares Jesus revealed through this moment, and His time on earth. That Jesus, being in the very nature (morphae) God emptied Himself and took on the nature of a servant in order to meet our need (Philippians 2:3-8).
- * Today, we are challenged to follow His example to have a Servant's Heart ... and to continually ask ourselves, "Who is Greater?"

INSTRUCTION**I. THE CONTEXT (v. 1-20)****A. The Passover (v. 1, 7-8, 15-16)****B. The Betrayal (v. 2-6)****II. THE CONVERSATION (v. 21-24)****A. The D_____ (v. 21-22)**

1. THE PR_____ OF HIS BETRAYER
2. THE PR_____ OF HIS BETRAYER
 - * cf. Romans 6:23; Proverbs 16:4; Romans 9:22; 2 Peter 2:3,9

B. The D_____ (v. 23)**C. The D_____ (v. 24)****III. THE COMMENTARY (v. 25-30)****A. The E_____ (cf. John 13:1-7)****B. The E_____ (v. 25-27; cf. John 13:12-17; Matthew 20:25-28)**

1. THE LEADERSHIP OF THE W_____ EXERCISES L_____
2. THE LEADERSHIP OF THE K_____ EXERCISES S_____
 - a. The Instruction
 - b. The Illustration

C. The E_____ (v. 28-30)

1. YOU WILL _____
2. YOU WILL _____
3. YOU WILL _____

INTROSPECTION

- * Are you a Servant? Are you willing to set aside your desires to meet the needs of others?
- * Do you struggle with thinking of yourself as being better than others?
- * How have you considered the role of leadership in the past? Has your view been consistent with Christ's?
- * Is there a need to change the way you think and therefore the way you act?

INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion

- * How does, or should, the concept of servant leadership be applied in the church, in the home, in the work place, and in the political/governmental arenas?