



# Practicing the Way of Jesus

SERVICE

John 13:1-17

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The way that Jesus practiced and/or promoted.

Trust

Silence and Solitude

Connecting to the marginalized

Prayer

**Service**

The Examen

Focus on the Inner Life

Story telling

Simplicity

What does it mean to serve?

*“The action of helping or doing work for someone.”*

*“Ministering to”*

*“Being a slave”*

(The idea of submission as a positive thing that comes from a place of love and a desire to support)

# 1 – Jesus did it

*“Do you understand what I have done for you?”*

*“I, your Lord and teacher have washed your feet.”*

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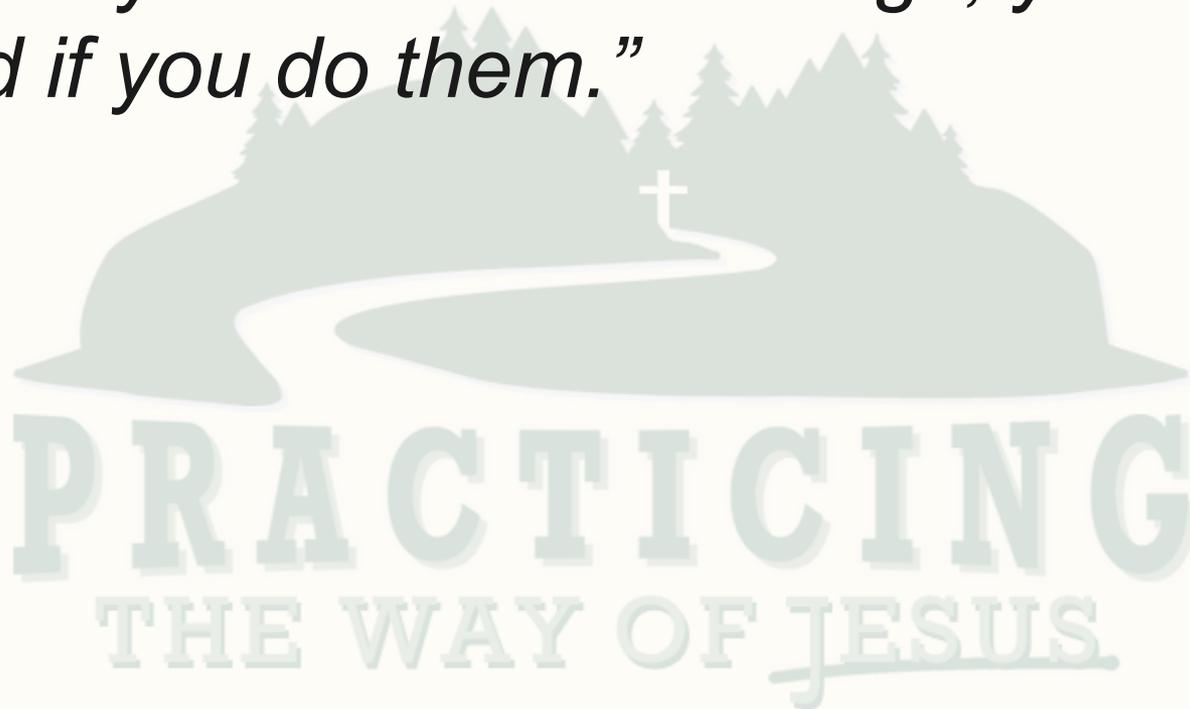
**EVEN** Jesus did it...

*“Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power...”*

*“Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father... the devil had already prompted Judas Iscariot, son of Simon, to betray Jesus.”*

## 2 – You will be blessed by doing it

*“Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.”*



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*“Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, “If anyone wants to be first, he must be the very last, and the servant of all.””*

Mark 9:35

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### 3 – It is love in action (or a love reaction!)

*“and as she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.”*

Luke 7:38

*“Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven – for she loved much.”*

### 3 – It is love in action (or a love reaction!)

*“You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you... just as the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many”*

Matthew 20:25-28

*“Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extent of his love.” V. 1b*

## 4 – You can only give what you have received

*“No,” said Peter, “you shall never wash my feet.”*

*Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no part with me.” V. 7-8*

*“Now that you **know** these things...” V. 17*

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# Have you received?

Remember the rhythm of Jesus:

- disengaging from the world and engaging with the Father (receiving, 1 John 4:19).
- engaging again with the world... with something to offer (giving, 1 John 4:20-21).

## How will you engage (give)?

- be led by God (discernment).
- be whole hearted with how you serve.

None of us can serve all the time.

Jesus didn't.

This week...

*“He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.  
And what does the Lord require of you?  
To act justly and to love mercy  
and to walk humbly with your God.”*

Micah 6:8

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