

JESUS WASHES THE DISCIPLES' FEET

JOHN 13:1-20



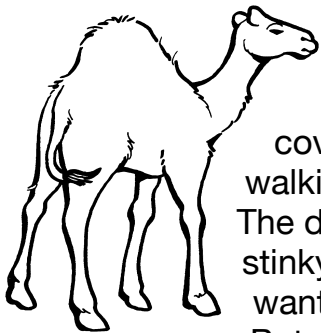
What does it mean to serve someone?

Why do you think Jesus washed the disciples' feet?

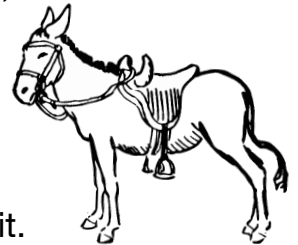
What do you think Jesus hoped the disciples would learn about serving?

Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.

JOHN 13:14-15



There were no cars around when Jesus and his disciples were on earth. Everyone traveled by walking or riding animals, like donkeys or camels. The roads were dusty and covered in what the animals left behind! Think about walking around on streets like that while wearing sandals. The disciples had very stinky feet! Just like Jesus washing stinky feet, serving is not always fun or easy. We don't always want to do something to help someone else if we won't enjoy it. But we obey Jesus' example by serving anyway.



Jesus washed the disciples' feet to show them how much he loved them. He wanted his disciples to learn to serve and love others too. Jesus wants us to serve and love people, just like his disciples did. We can show love by serving and helping others.

What else does Jesus say about serving?

Luke 6:31

John 12:26

John 13:34-35

Pray

Jesus, teach me how to live in a way that serves you and helps others. Show me ways I can serve the people in my life, just as you came to serve us.

How can you serve others this week?

- Send someone mail to cheer them up
 - Pray for people you know
 - Think of a way to help out at home..do the dishes, tidy your room, give your family hugs!
 - Add your idea: _____
- _____