

GROUP NOTES

OUR VALUES: 5 - LEADERSHIP

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WELCOME

- What has been positive about the past week? Any good news? What are you thankful for? Have you got a testimony of what God has done?

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Our 5 values: Lordship, Family, Evangelism, Discipleship, Leadership.

Values Definition: "Principles or standards of behaviour; one's judgement of what is important in life."

- Do you have any positive memories of a certain leader in your life? Why was/is it positive and what have you learnt from that leader?
- We look at Jesus for a leadership example to follow...

Read the following scripture:

John 13

1 Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. 2 During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, 3 Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, 4 rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist.

5 Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. 6 He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" 7 Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." 8 Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me." 9 Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!"

12 When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? 13 You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. 14 If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. 15 For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. 16 Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. 17 If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

Questions for group discussion:

- When you hear this story, what strikes you about Jesus?

#1 Biblical leadership is to LOVE PEOPLE.

- Have you ever been loved by someone? What action or attitude made you feel loved?
- Would you say that all leaders in your world really love the people they lead? Why or why not?
- Are you a 'leader' somewhere? What difference will it make, when we lead by loving people first?

#2 Biblical leadership is to SERVE PEOPLE.

- What do you think does it practically mean to serve someone?
- Have you ever been served by someone? Tell us the story.
- Would you say that all leaders in your world really serve the people they lead? Why or why not?
- Are you a 'leader' somewhere? What difference will it make, when we lead by serve people?

#3 Biblical leadership is to INFLUENCE PEOPLE.

- What do you think does it practically mean to influence someone?
- Have you ever been influenced by someone? Was it good or bad?
- Would you say that all leaders in your world really influence the people they lead? Why or why not?
- Are you a 'leader' somewhere? What difference will it make, when we lead by influencing people with God's love and Kingdom?
- Who do you want to start influencing first?