

TRANSFORMED: The True Meaning of Foot Washing

(John 13:1-15)

Introduction.

A) It is refreshing to splash water on your face or washing your hands.

B) Consider for a moment the person Bible era person that walked practically everywhere they travels. The sandy or dusty roads caused their sandal-clad feet to get dusty. The common practice was to have a bowl or container of water available at the entrance to one's home in order for the traveler to rinse the dust from their feet.

B) Contextualize this message in the series, TRANSFORMED.

C) Contextualize John 13 (the night before Jesus crucifixion).

D) Jesus taught two lessons as he washed the disciples feet the night prior to his crucifixion. First, Jesus desired to model servanthood to his 12 disciples. In addition, Jesus taught a second life principle – confession and forgiveness. (verse 7).

I. The Total Cleansing (verse 5-10).

A) The necessity of total cleaning (Ephesians 2:1)(Hebrews 1:3)

B) Cleansing of the Sinner (I John 1:7)(John 3:5)(Ephesians 5:26)

II. The Temporary Corruption. (verse 9-11)

A) The confusion (verse 6-9)

B) The correction (verse 10)(I John 1:9)

III. The True Foot Cleansing (verse 12-17)

A) It is necessary for fellowship (verse 8)

B) It is necessary for one another (verse 14-15)

C) It is necessary for blessings (verse 17)

Conclusion