The Making of Great Disciples | John 13:1-17

Ohana Group Discussion Questions: Week of February 2nd, 2025

OVERVIEW

In John 13:1-17, Jesus humbles Himself by washing His disciples' feet, demonstrating His deep love for them and setting an example of servanthearted leadership. He teaches that true greatness in His kingdom comes through humility and selfless service, calling His followers to serve one another as He has served them.

OHANA TIME!

Icebreaker: If you could only eat one type of cuisine for the rest of your life, what would you choose? Or If you could live in any book, movie, or TV show world for a week, which one would it be and why?

Activity: Plan a "fun" event for your group!

PRAYER

Pray: "Lord, help us to follow Your example of humility and love by serving others selflessly, reflecting Your heart in all that we do.

BIBLE: READ JOHN 13:1-17

- 1. What does verse 1 reveal about Jesus' love for His disciples? How does this set the tone for what happens next?
- 2. Why do you think Jesus chose to wash His disciples' feet during the Passover meal (v. 4)? What is significant about this timing?
- 3. Foot washing was a task usually performed by servants. What does Jesus' willingness to do this for His disciples tell us about His character and mission?
- 4. In verse 6, Peter questions Jesus' actions. Why do you think Peter struggled to let Jesus serve him? What does this reveal about Peter's understanding of Jesus?
- 5. In verse 10, Jesus speaks about being "clean." What do you think He is referring to spiritually, beyond physical cleanliness?
- 6. Why does Jesus tell His disciples that they should wash one another's feet (vv. 12-15)? What does this teach about the nature of leadership and servanthood?
- 7. How does Jesus' example of humble service challenge cultural ideas of leadership or success?
- 8. Why do you think humility and service are often difficult for us to practice? What prevents us from serving others as Jesus did?

APPLICATION

- 1. Think of a situation where someone showed you an act of selfless service. How did it impact your relationship or faith? How can you do the same for someone else?
- 2. How can this passage help us view relationships within the church or our small group? In what ways can we serve and love one another better? Who in your life needs to be served in a tangible, loving way this week?