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An Example

I am your Lord and teacher. Will you humble yourself before me and allow me to teach you? Will you love like I loved? Will you give like I gave? Will you serve like I served? Don't be quick to say that you will. I want you to be very sure of your answer. Why is that? The decision you make now will help you to make all your subsequent decisions. Say a firm and sure yes to me now and all your subsequent decisions to say yes to me will come much easier, without a lot of internal debate. So, you are not really asking me to say yes just for now? **No, I am not.** You are asking me for a lifetime of yeses to you. **Yes, I am.**

Is there anyone that you are unwilling to serve? Is there something that you will not do for me? Is there some place I cannot send you? Do you have a line in the sand that you will not cross? Could I ever ask too much of you? Don't say anything to me just yet.

Have I held myself back from you? Has there ever been anything that I was not willing to do for you? Was there ever anyplace that I would not go for you? Was there ever a line in the sand that I would not cross for you? Was any request, by my Father, on your behalf, ever too much for me? No, you gave yourself fully and completely for me.

I have set before you an example. Will you humble yourself before me and serve others? Will you lay down your life so that others can live? Will you be my witness in the world? Yes Lord, I will. **Is this a one time yes or a lifetime of you continually saying yes to me?** I'm saying yes to you today, tomorrow and forever. I will go where you guide me to do all that you ask of me.

Was this a hard decision for you? No Lord, it was not. **Why is that?** I know that as I humbly serve you and others you will richly bless my life. It will be my joy to bring glory to your name. You made me for this purpose. You have designed me according to your plan. I will be doing what is the desire of my heart that has come from you to me as a gift. **Yes, you will.**

Lord, thank you for setting before me a very clear example I can follow. Help me to humble myself to wholeheartedly serve other people. Bless my life as I bring glory to your name by loving as you loved and giving as you gave. Amen

Wash One Another's Feet

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Blessing – John 13:14-17

In Context: *Read John 13*

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture:

(What prayer from your heart will you write?)

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What It Means:

(What questions speak to your heart?) *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

What position of authority have you allowed Jesus Christ to rightfully have over your life?

How has your Lord Jesus Christ been teaching you to humble yourself and serve others?

What are some modern day equivalent examples of be willing to wash someone else's feet?

When has Jesus Christ set before you real life examples of humility and service to others?

How has Jesus Christ been able to use your life as an example of humility and service to others?

What blessings has the Lord brought into your life through your humble service to others?

When have you missed out on a blessing because you failed to humbly serve another person?

Living It Out:

(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)

Let the Lord use your life as a shining example of humility and service to other people.

Seeing It Happen:

(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)

Have faith that the Lord Jesus Christ will bless your life as you humbly serve other people.

Get Ready To Share:

(What can you share with others from your heart?)

Share with another person or your small group how the Lord has used you to humbly serve another person.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you humble yourself before the Lord your teacher and example so that He can use you to serve others.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, help me to have a humble heart that you can use to serve others and bring glory to your name.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how can I humbly serve you and others today?
