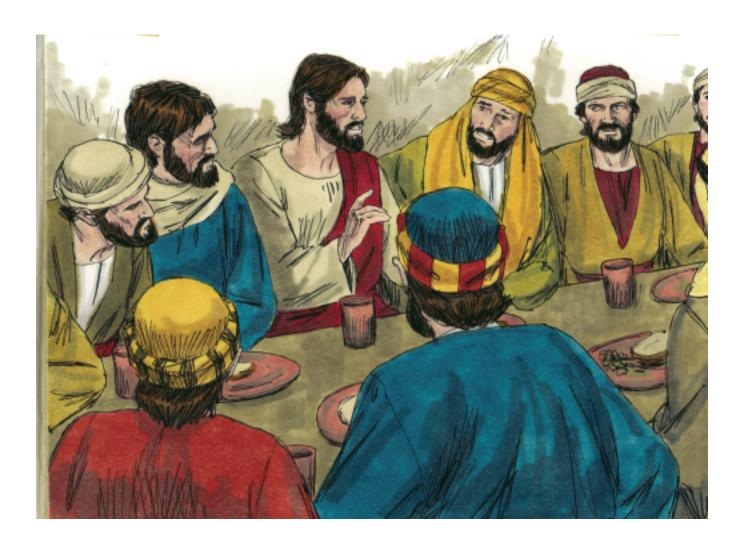
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DAY 14: Jesus Washes His Disciples' Feet John 13:1-17

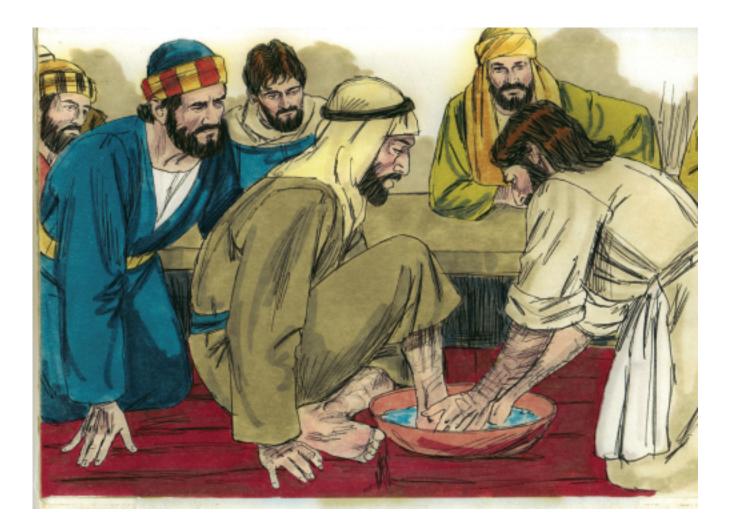
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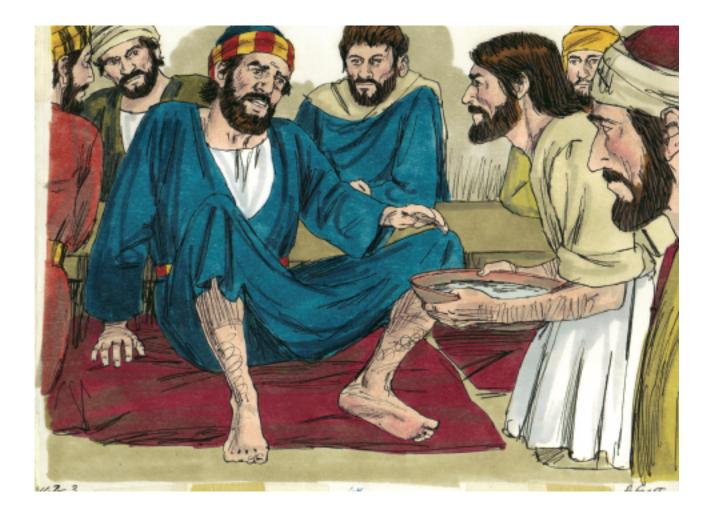


It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that it was almost time for him to leave this world and go back to heaven.

Jesus loved his disciples, and he wanted to show them how much he loved them.

During the last supper that Jesus would spend his disciples, he got up from the meal, and wrapped a towel around his waist. Then, he poured water into a big tub and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.





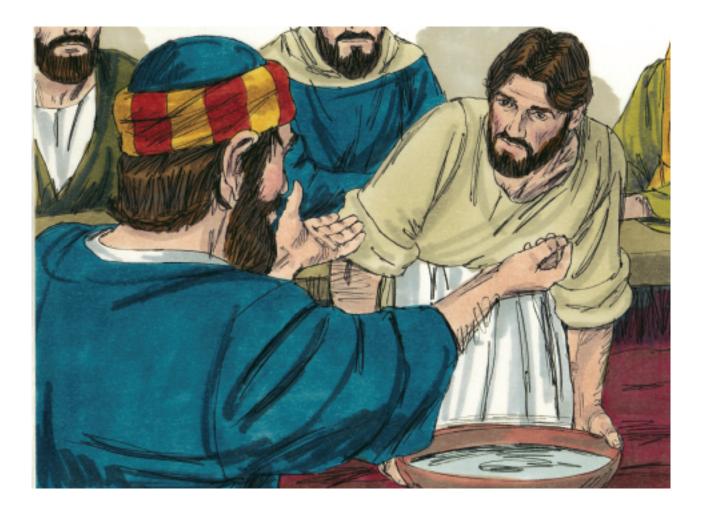
When it was Peter's turn, Peter said, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

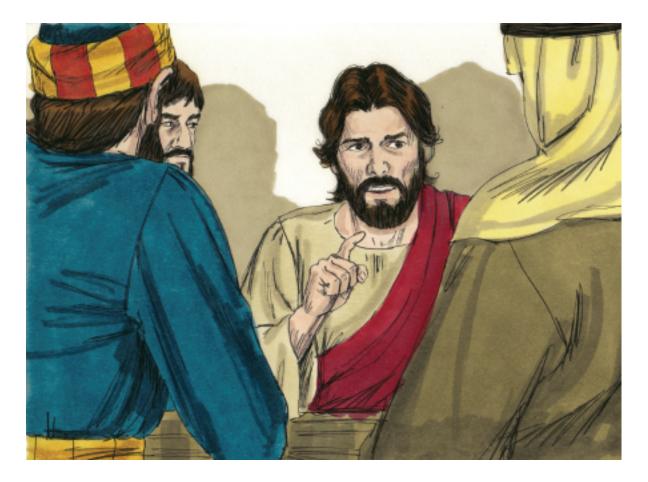
Jesus replied, "Yes Peter. You don't realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

"No!" said Peter, "You shouldn't wash my feet! You're too important!" Jesus answered, "This is part of being my disciple, Peter. Let me wash your feet."

"Then, Lord," Peter replied, "don't wash just my feet, but wash my hands and head as well!"

Jesus answered, "You don't need your hands and head washed. Just your feet. Now, let me wash them."





When Jesus had finished washing his disciples' feet, he came back to the table.

"Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. "You call me 'Teacher,' and 'Lord,' and that's good, because that is what I am. But see? I, your Teacher and Lord, have washed your feet. You should also wash one another's feet. I am being an example of what you should do. This is how you show love to one another. You should always be willing to be a servant. If you do these things, you will be blessed."

How does Jesus want us to treat one another?