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JESUS WASHES

WEEK TWO • JOHN 13:1-20





JOHN 13:1 NIV

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DEFINITIONS OF LOVE

- To give unconditionally & sacrificially just as God gave Himself to sinful men
- Seeking the best for someone else regardless of cost to oneself
- A commitment to another person to seek their well being through sacrificial action often accompanied by growing affection
- To serve a person for their good and intrinsic value, not for what the person brings you





THE WAY OF LOVE

- Modeled by Jesus (v. 1-5)
- Made possible through Jesus' cleansing (v. 6-11)
- Mirrored by the disciples (v. 12-17)





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“People are often unreasonable, illogical,
and self-centered.

Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind,
people may accuse you of selfish ulterior motives.

Be kind anyway.

What you spend years building,
someone could destroy overnight.

Build anyway.

The good you do today,
people will often forget tomorrow.

Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have,
and it may never be enough.

Give the best you’ve got anyway.

You see,
**in the final analysis it is between you and God;
it was never between you and them anyway.”**

- KENT KEITH



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PHILLIPIANS 2:6-8 NIV

Who, being in very nature God,

did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

⁷ rather, he made himself nothing

by taking the very nature of a servant,
being made in human likeness.

⁸ And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself

by becoming obedient to death—
even death on a cross!

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DANE ORTLAND

“GENTLE AND LOWLY”



“Meek. Humble. Gentle. Jesus is not Trigger-Happy. Not harsh, reactionary, easily exasperated. He is the most understanding person in the universe. The posture most natural to him is not a pointed Finger but Open arms.

The point in saying that Jesus is lowly is that he is accesible. For all his resplendent glory and dazzling holiness, his supreme uniqueness and otherness, no one in human history has ever been more approachable than Jesus Christ. No prerequisites. No hoops to jump through.

You don't need to unburden or collect yourself and then come to Jesus. Your very burden is what qualifies you to come.”



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JOHN 13:10 NIV

Jesus answered, "Those who have had a bath (louō) need only to wash (niptō) their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you."



BATHE

Whole body
Completed action
Thorough cleansing with abiding results
Representing Justification
Secure relationship through Jesus' cleansing

WASH

Only part of the body
Temporary
Needed over and over again
Representing Sanctification process
Confession to restore fellowship





THE WAY OF LOVE BEGINS WITH
A SECURE RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.





WAY OF LOVE MIRRORED BY JESUS' DISCIPLES

JOHN 13:12-17 NIV

When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. ¹³ "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. ¹⁴ Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. ¹⁶ Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷ Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.





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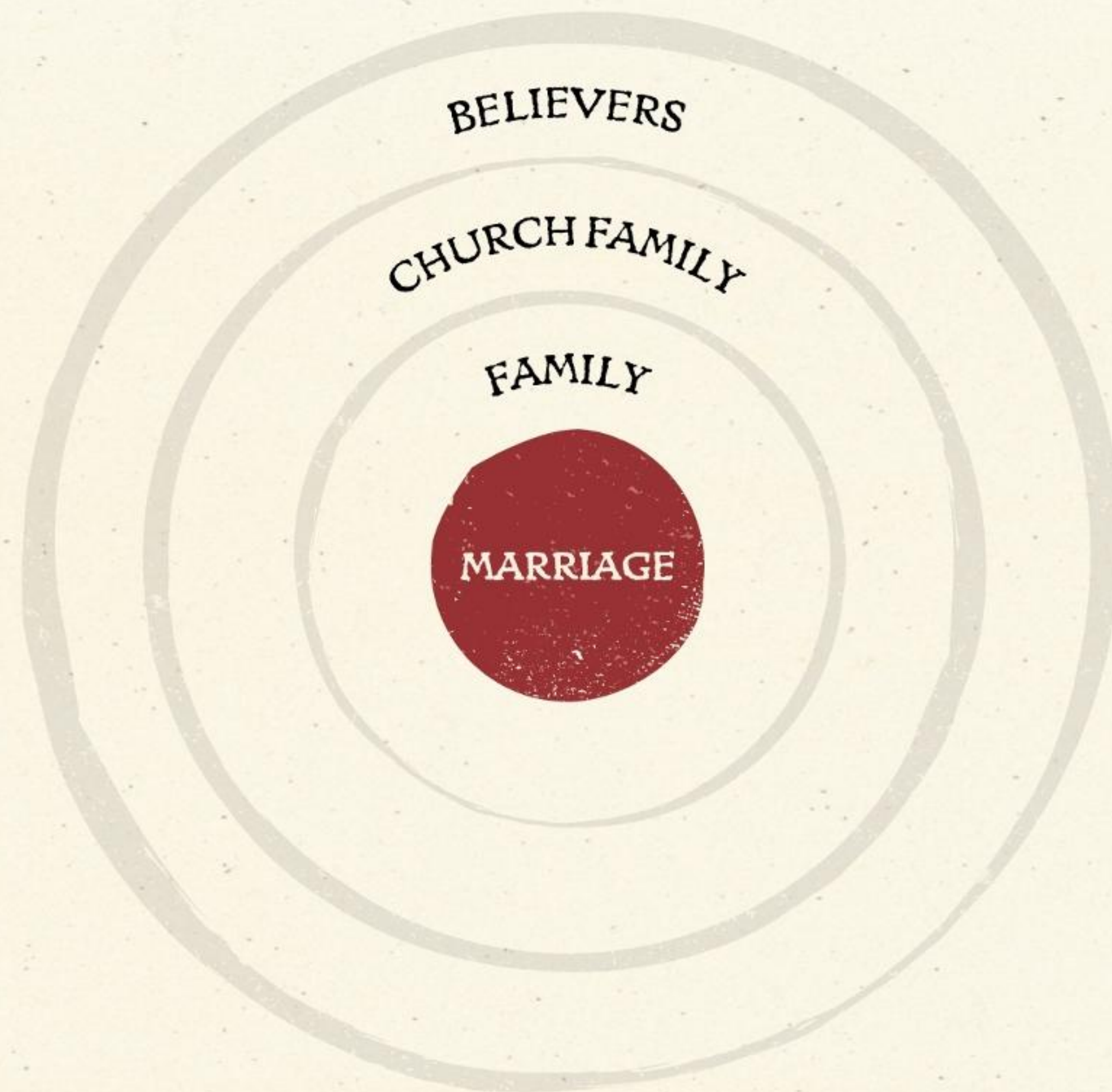




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**JOHN 13:14,17,35 NIV**

“Now that I your Lord and Teacher have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet.... Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them...By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”



“But it is the mandate of the church to become a community of love, a circle of Christ’s followers who invest in one another because Christ has invested in them, who exhibit love not based on the attractiveness of its members, but on the model of Christ, who washed the feet of everyone (including Judas).”

- GARY BURGE, THE NIV APPLICATION COMMENTARY

