

(Devotional for the Family)

Lesson Theme: "Jesus: Turning the World Upside-Down" (Part 1)

Scripture: John 13:1-15

Memory Verse: Mark 10:45 "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

Teachers/Parents: Before we opened up our Bibles we had some discussion about chores, especially the ones they don't like. Discuss as a family your chore likes and dislikes and the reasons behind your preferences. Then discuss what it would be like if someone rich and famous showed up at your door saying they came to do those chores you like the least. What would you think?

Discussion Questions:

- 1) Read **John 13:1**. The word "love" in this verse is *agape*. In class we contrasted the love that Jesus has for His people with the way the word love has become fluffy and hollow in our culture. What are something you say that you "love"? How is Jesus's love so much deeper and greater that this?
- 2) Read **John 13:3**. Pause for a second and realize what this verse says about Jesus. Why it is it so important to understand what this verse teaches before we can fully appreciate the act of Jesus's washing His disciples' feet later on?
- 3) Read **Luke 22:24**. This describes what was going through the disciples' minds around this same time. While we can laugh at them, if we are honest, we all struggle with the same problem. Why do you think it is so easy for us to want greatness?
- 4) Read **Luke 22:25-27**. How does what Jesus say here completely TURN UPSIDE DOWN the way things normally are in the world?
- 5) Can you think of any other examples where Jesus completely TURNED THINGS UPSIDE DOWN from what was "normal"? (Check out **Mark 10:13-16, 1** Corinthians 1:26-27, s for some examples)
- 6) Read **Mark 10:45**, our memory verse. Has your life been TURNED UPSIDE DOWN when you consider that Jesus has paid YOUR ransom for your sin? What are some things you can do this week to show thanksgiving to your Savior and Redeemer?