



Don't Miss Great

Not everyone will have the opportunity to be famous, but everyone has the opportunity to be great.

Discussion Questions:

1. Growing up, did you daydream about being great at or known for something? What and why? Who inspired you?
2. Who do you know, that you consider to be great? What makes them great?
3. Read **John 13:3–17** aloud.

Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

"No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet."

Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me."

"Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

Jesus answered, "Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean.

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. "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

What stood out to you as you read that passage? Why do you think it caught your attention?

4. Jesus said, "I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you." In your own words and in one sentence, how would you summarize what he meant by that?
5. Where have you missed your opportunity to opt for great? Why?
6. Where are you tempted to chase approval or visibility, when the real opportunity is to be great?