



Dinner with Friends

By Johnny Caruso on September 29, 2022

TODAY'S READING: John 13

There are countless examples of Christ humbly serving humanity throughout the four gospels. One of my personal favorites is the story of Christ washing the disciples' feet. To the disciples, this was just another Passover meal. They had done it many times before. It was a festival of eating, talking and laughing. They had no idea this would be their last meal with Jesus. They did not know. What Jesus does next, blows the disciples' minds because only slaves and servants served that way.

I cannot even imagine the emotions Jesus must have felt looking around that table; surrounded by the men He loved to the end. As they ate, talked, and walked through the Passover readings and responses, what was on His mind? I think I would have been thinking back to the day He called me to be a part of His family, maybe the conversations we shared, the silly moments and the sacred ones too.

But what was Jesus thinking? Was He mourning that they would never sit like this again this side of heaven, that His time with them on earth had been so short. He knew better than all of them the joy and hope that awaited them on the other side of the cross. He also knew, for a time, His sheep would be scattered and afraid.

John does not tell us exactly what Christ was thinking during the meal, (mostly because he did not know) but he does give us some insight towards the end of the meal, in verse three: *"Jesus knew that the Father had given everything into His hands, that He had come from God, and that He was going back to God."*

Christ, knowing the fullness of His power and glory, felt compelled; not to lord these things over His disciples or demand they serve Him, but to display His great love for them one more time before His death, by kneeling down to serve them. It speaks clearly of Christ's humility, which comes from a deep confidence in His true identity and sacred mission.

PRAYER: Lord, help us have the confidence that Jesus had. Teach us who we really are in You. Help us live our lives in such a way that others see who You are and whose we are.

TOMORROW'S READING: John 14

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