

Who Hath Believed Our Report?

John 12:37-50

The Witness Of Christ Is Reaffirmed

A. The Rejected Witness Of Christ (12:37-41)

1. The works rejected (12:37)

2. The Word rejected (12:38)

John 12:38

3. The way rejected (12:39-41)

Isaiah 6:1-10

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B. The Reserved Witnesses Of Christ (12:42-43)

1. They were silent (12:42)

2. They were scared (12:42-43)

a. Of losing position (v 42)

Mark 10:29-30

b. Of losing praise (v 43)

Proverbs 29:25

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C. The Repeated Witnesses Of Christ (12:44-50)

1. Of His person (12:44-45)

2. Of His purpose (12:44-45)

a. Of losing position (v 42)

Mark 10:29-30

b. Of losing praise (v 43)

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C. The Repeated Witnesses Of Christ (12:44-50) – continued

3. Of His proclamations (12:48-50)

a. Of God's judgment (v 48)

John 3:36

b. Of God's commandment (v 49)

John 5:43

c. Of God's compassion (v 50)

1 John 4:9

Who Would Think?

John 13:1-20

**The depth of Christ's love and humility are
revealed to the disciples**

I. The Perspective Of This Time (13:1-3)

A. The priority needed (13:1)

John 13:1

Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.

I. The Perspective Of This Time (13:1-3)

B. The perpetrator identified (13:2)

John 13:2

And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;

C. The perception realized (13:3)

John 13:3

Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God;

II. The Priority Of Service (13:4-17)

A. An unbelievable action (13:4-5)

1. In character

John 13:4-5

4 He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself.

5 After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

Philippians 2:7

But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

II. The Priority Of Service (13:4-17)

A. An unbelievable action (13:4-5)

2. In context

Mark 10:45

For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

II. The Priority Of Service (13:4-17)

B. An universal action (13:6-7)

John 13:6-7

6 Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet?

7 Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.

Acts 10:34

Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:

II. The Priority Of Service (13:4-17)

C. An unwanted action (13:8-10)

1. An impulsive response (v 8)

John 13:8

Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet.

Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.

1 Peter 5:6

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:

II. The Priority Of Service (13:4-17)

C. An unwanted action (13:8-10) - continued

2. An ignorant response (v 9)

John 13:9

Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.

II. The Priority Of Service (13:4-17)

C. An unwanted action (13:8-10) - continued

3. An insightful reply (v 10)

John 13:10

Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all.

Psalm 119:9

Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.

Ephesians 6:26

That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,

II. The Priority Of Service (13:4-17)

D. An unknown action (13:11-12)

John 13:11-12

11 For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean.

12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you?

II. The Priority Of Service (13:4-17)

E. An ultimate application (13:13-17)

1. Of the leadership of Christ (vv 13-15)

John 13:13-15

13 Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am.

14 If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

II. The Priority Of Service (13:4-17)

E. An ultimate application (13:13-17) - continued

2. Of the life lived for Christ (vv 16-17)

John 13:16-17

16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him.

17 If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

III. The Preparation Of The Disciples (13:18-20)

A. For the betrayal (13:18)

John 13:18

I speak not of you all: I know whom I have chosen: but that the scripture may be fulfilled, He that eateth bread with me hath lifted up his heel against me.

Psalm 41:9

Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me.

III. The Preparation Of The Disciples

(13:18-20)

B. For their belief (13:19-20)

John 13:19-20

19 Now I tell you before it come, that, when it is come to pass, ye may believe that I am he.

20 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that receiveth whomsoever I send receiveth me; and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me.

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