

Life of Christ SERIES ♦ LESSON #54A – The Hour Has Come / Jesus Washes Feet  
John 12:20 – 13:17

TO HELP US STUDY

1. After the Triumphal Entry, Jesus said that the hour had come for what? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How did Jesus relate his future to a kernel of wheat? \_\_\_\_\_  
How does love for this current life relate to eternal life? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Jesus: "Now my heart is troubled, and what shall I say? "Father, \_\_\_\_\_ this hour? No, it was \_\_\_\_\_"
4. What did the voice from heaven sound like? \_\_\_\_\_  
Why was the voice audible? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What did the crowd say when Jesus said he would be lifted up? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Many people believed in Jesus, even leaders, but did not confess their faith - why? \_\_\_\_\_  
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7. Will these people be judged? How so? \_\_\_\_\_
8. How did Jesus show his disciples the full extent of his love? \_\_\_\_\_  
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9. How did Jesus respond to Peter's refusal to be washed? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What message of service did Jesus give his disciples? \_\_\_\_\_

TO HELP US REMEMBER: John 13:8 "No," said Peter, 'you shall never wash my feet.' Jesus answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have no part of me.'"

TEEN THOUGHT (Two thoughts today – bonus!): 1) Many people who witnessed Jesus' miracles would still not believe in him, and many who did believe in him would not confess their faith because they loved the praise of men more than praise from God. What evidence have you seen to put your faith in Jesus? Will you let peer pressure keep you quiet? 2) Jesus showed his love to his disciples by washing their feet, saying that we should follow his example. Washing feet was a necessary service in Jesus' time and was typically done by servants. Jesus shows his love by humbly serving others, even in lowly, dirty, smelly work. What humble service can you do to show love for others; especially for those in the church, and for those who are hurting, lonely, needy?

TIPS FOR TEACHING

See "Teen Thought". Unfortunately the class will not be long enough to open all of the presents in this treasure trove: each question above is worth tracing out, plus questions I couldn't fit. This was Jesus' last public sermon – what words did he leave the crowd with? The devil is mentioned twice in this section – what can we learn about his power and limitations? John pulls in Isaiah 53 and the Messianic "Son of Man comes from Daniel 7; these prophecies are powerful evidence that Jesus is the Messiah. Jesus washed Judas' feet, knowing he would betray him – how do you feel about that?

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURE: Dan 7:13-27; Isa 52:13 – 53:12; Job 1:6-12; Mt 4:1-11; 20:17-28, 25:31-46; Mk 1:11, 4:15, 9:7; Lk 19:10; Jn 3:14-15; Rom 16:20; 1 Cor 4:8-14; 2 Cor 11:13-15, 12:7-10; Gal 5:13-14; Eph 1:3-14, 6:11-13; Phil 2:1-11; Jam 4:3-10; 1 Pet 4:8-11, 5:5-9; 1 Jn 3:8-10.