

## Be a Servant!

*"Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them."*

*John 13:16, 17*

In your desire to serve and know the Lord more, do not think that attaining more knowledge and understanding are the most important things. It is easy to think that more revelation brings more spiritual maturity. Jesus, right before His betrayal, when the pressure upon His life was the greatest, expressed very clearly to His disciples: "Even after I send you out, you will not be greater than I. And all of the things which I have gone through, you will go through them as well. For that reason, walk and live even as I walked and lived. And then Jesus gives us the key when He stated,

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Brothers and Sisters, the key to serving and knowing the Lord more is found in doing and not in gaining. In fact, every disciple, every one who chose to remain faithful went through the same process of rejection from the world's system as they remained faithful in doing what the Master said.

Knowledge by definition comes not out of books but out of experience. Once you have experienced God in His love, then when you read on the subject of love, understanding comes! Once you have experienced the Face of God in His presence, then understanding of His presence comes to you! Until you experience the Kingdom for yourself, understanding of the Kingdom will always elude you! But what positions you to gain such experience? Find yourself doing what He said to do. In context, what had Jesus just mentioned to His followers? *"If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you."*

This is Baptism Sunday. Washing the old life away and rising in newness of life, have the heart to do the simple as Jesus commanded and you will be blessed!

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