



THE GOSPEL OF JOHN PRESENTS:

Jesus, The Servant

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Introduction: John describes Jesus as ~~the Word of God, a Zealot, an Evangelist, a Provider, a Caretaker,~~ and a Shepherd. Now we get to see Jesus, the Servant. Let's study together

Discussion:

I. **Serving Lazarus & His Family (12:1-8)**

This was a special family of disciples (Lazarus, Mary and Martha).
The devotion of Mary is understandable but almost unprecedented.
Judas is angry with this act of servitude, but Jesus is pleased.

II. **Serving The Greeks (12:9-36)**

The crowd was ready to meet Jesus and the shouted "Hosanna."
The triumphant entry is a clear sign of the Messiah.
In His final teaching we see that God was already drawing the Greeks through the "Son of Man."

III. **Serving The Jews (12:37-50)**

These are the last words of warning to the Pharisees.
Some people would not accept Jesus.
Many people like the praise of man more than the praise of God.

IV. **Serving The Disciples (13:1-17)**

On the night Jesus was betrayed, the disciples argued over who was the greatest.
Jesus decided to wash their feet and teach them about love, humility, etc.
The person that stays the closest to the heart of Jesus will be saved.

V. **Serving Judas (13:18-30)**

Judas, the son of perdition, was probably smarter and brighter than the other eleven.
Judas went out under the cover of darkness.
Judas made a choice and he would be responsible for his actions.

VI. **Serving Peter (13:31-38)**

Peter was overconfident and prideful.
Peter makes a promise that he will not keep.
Jesus tries to reassure His disciples that things will work out.

Conclusion: **The gospel of John is profound, but simple. John clearly shows us that his intention is for the readers of this gospel to "believe" and "receive" the good news (John 20:30-31).** Where are you in your walk with God? Do you believe Him and trust Him? Have you received salvation in His name?

WORD OF THE DAY = "SERVANT"