



JOHN 13:2-38

A GOD STRONG PERSON IS...
DESIGNED TO SERVE

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Why might Jesus have waited until this particular moment to wash his disciples' feet? Why is foot washing the perfect example for the message Jesus is trying to convey to his disciples?
2. How did Jesus expect his disciples to respond to his example of foot washing and what might this response look like for us today?
3. Jesus informs his disciples that one of them will betray him and then predicts Peter's denial. What kind of impact does this pairing of stories have on our reading of them and would it make a difference if John had arranged them differently?
4. Service and Betrayal. As Christians we are called to respond within a world that at times seems to betray God on an individual and a global level. Discuss a real (or hypothetical) situation when you felt called to defend your faith.

APPLICATION

Set aside a block of time this week to create two lists. For the first list, write down the various ways you serve God and others. Remember that these acts of service show up in many daily activities that often go unrecognized. For the second list, search for those hidden areas in you life which may be in denial or contradictory to your Lord and faith. Do you notice any correlations?