

## 10/24/13 - "Jesuslikeness"

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Matthew 23:1-13, 37-39

Do Christians kneel to pray anymore? Inquiring minds want to know. When and why did many Christians quit kneeling to pray?

At the Last Supper, King Jesus took a servant's posture. He knelt to wash the feet of His disciples. "So he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him" (John 13:4-5).

Servants kneel. They wash feet. Servant leaders do too. The *Jesuslikeness* joy description calls for kneeling and washing feet.

Before we humble ourselves and serve the people outside the local church, we are to humble ourselves and serve those already with us. "You also should wash *one another's feet*" (John 13:14b, emphasis added).

Perhaps the world is waiting for us to first humble ourselves and serve one another before they will trust us to serve them. After all, Jesus humbled himself and served the 12 closest to Him before He humbled himself on the cross to serve the whole world.

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