

# Blueprints

## Focusing on IN: As I Have Loved You

John 13:1-35

### The New Commandment in the Context of John 13

We love God BY loving one another

Just as Jesus loved God by loving the world: see **John 14:31**

What does it practically mean to love one another like Jesus?

The washing of the disciples' feet: **13:1-20**

The betrayal by Judas: **13:21-30**

### The Footwashing and the Betrayal

The footwashing and the Kenotic Hymn: **Philippians 2:5-11**

A re-enactment of the incarnation, death, resurrection

Additional insight from **John 15:12** context

Greater love has no one than laying down life for a friend: **15:13**

Additional insight from the Judas betrayal theme

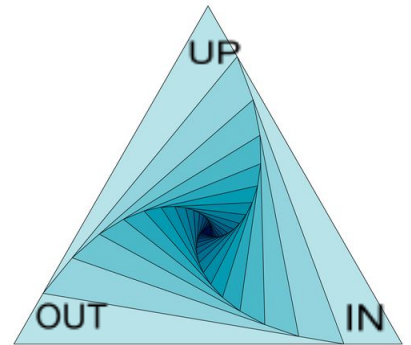
Notice **12:4-7; 13:2, 10-11, 18-19, 21-30**

Jesus washes Judas' feet on the eve of betrayal

Jesus gives Judas the morsel of bread

Note the non-reciprocity of Jesus-like love: see **Luke 14:12-14**

While we were sinners, enemies, powerless: **Romans 5:6-11**



**“To freely and unconditionally lay down one’s life to procure a true good for the beloved.”**

### Five Counterfeits

“Love” not freely given: coerced sacrifice confuses love with passivity: abusers, Burmese daughters

“Love” that is contingent upon some condition or expectation of reciprocity

“Love” that costs little or nothing: gift out of abundance is wonderful, but Jesus-love demands more

“Love” that serves an end other than a true good: enmeshment, codependency, evil and ill

“Love” that fundamentally serves to actualize me: attention, self-fulfillment, guilt-management

John 13:1-20	Phil 2:5-11
Knowing the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going back to God (3)	Who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality a thing to be grasped (6)
Laid aside his outer garments (4)	But emptied Himself (7)
Taking a towel, tied it around His waist (4)	Taking the form of a servant (7)
Poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples feet to wipe them with a towel that was wrapped around Him (5)	Humbled Himself by becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross (8)
Put on his outer garments and resumed His place (12)	Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name (9)

\* Ford Madox Brown. *Jesus Washing Peter's Feet*. 1852-56. retouched several times up to 1892. Oil on canvas 46 x 52 1/4 in. Tate Gallery, London.