

7th Grade New Testament (Gospels)**Lesson Plan:** Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet (Hands On)**Learning Goals:** Students should recognize the humility and servanthood demonstrated by Jesus and apply it to the way followers are supposed to model faith today.**Question:** (Feet Activity) - See below

Prayer.

Begin with "feet" games.

- shoe game (place all shoes in pile in middle of room; students race to get shoes on)
- popsicle stick between toes - pass rubber band down line and back
- pass lime only using feet
- Pictionary (drawing with toes)
- picking up marbles with toes

Transition to the telling of the story (or read/watch John 13:1-38).

"We've talked a lot about feet today. Can you think of a story in the life of Jesus that something to do with feet?"

Close by washing students' feet.

Judas

- This is the only mention of Satan in John's gospel
- Lessons Judas teaches us:
 - One can attend all of the religious meetings and still be far from Christ
 - In life, there are lost opportunities
 - There will be hypocrites in the church
 - It is dangerous to put money above everything else.
 - Satan is at work among the Lord's people.

The Defining Mark (How do others know that we are Christians?)

- Pins on our lapels, chains around neck (cross), special haircuts (monks), posters on our wall, screensavers, bumper stickers, wristbands, t-shirts, Christian symbols, etc.
 - Problem: these are totally external and superficial
- How should people know? Our love for one another (vs. 34-35)
- We love because he first loved us. (1 John 4:19)

Lesson Summary/Review:

Students should review and highlight the following vocabulary terms and concepts from this lesson in their notes:

- Humility
- What lessons we can learn from Judas?
- According to Jesus' statement, what is the defining mark for Christians of their faith?