

The Gospel According to John 13:10 - 26

New American Standard Version

1 ¹⁰ Jesus *said to him, “He who has bathed needs only to
2 wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean,
3 but not all *of you*.” ¹¹ For He knew the one who was
4 betraying Him; for this reason He said, “Not all of you are
5 clean.” ¹² So when He had washed their feet, and taken His
6 garments and reclined *at the table* again, He said to them,
7 “Do you know what I have done to you? ¹³ You call Me
8 Teacher and Lord; and you are right, for *so* I am. ¹⁴ If I
9 then, the Lord and the Teacher, washed your feet, you also
10 ought to wash one another’s feet. ¹⁵ For I gave you an
11 example that you also should do as I did to you. ¹⁶ Truly,
12 truly, I say to you, a slave is not greater than his master, nor
13 *is* one who is sent greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷ If
14 you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. ¹⁸ I
15 do not speak of all of you. I know the ones I have chosen;
16 but *it is* that the Scripture may be fulfilled, ‘HE WHO EATS
17 MY BREAD HAS LIFTED UP HIS HEEL AGAINST ME.’ ¹⁹ From
18 now on I am telling you before *it* comes to pass, so that
19 when it does occur, you may believe that I am *He*. ²⁰ Truly,
20 truly, I say to you, he who receives whomever I send
21 receives Me; and he who receives Me receives Him who
22 sent Me.” ²¹ When Jesus had said this, He became troubled
23 in spirit, and testified and said, “Truly, truly, I say to you,
24 that one of you will betray Me.” ²² The disciples *began*
25 looking at one another, at a loss *to know* of which one He
26 was speaking. ²³ There was reclining on Jesus’ bosom one of
27 His disciples, whom Jesus loved. ²⁴ So Simon Peter
28 *gestured to him, and *said to him, “Tell *us* who it is of
29 whom He is speaking.” ²⁵ He, leaning back thus on Jesus’
30 bosom, *said to Him, “Lord, who is it?” ²⁶ Jesus then
31 *answered, “That is the one for whom I shall dip the morsel
32 and give it to him.” So when He had dipped the morsel, He
33 *took and *gave it to Judas, *the son* of Simon Iscariot.

*Use the suggestions on the back page as a starting point for your own **Observation, Interpretation, and Application.***

Observation (What does it say?):

Circle things Jesus says to explain the example (line 11, verse 15) He gives in this passage.

Underline things Jesus says to describe the betrayal by Judas in this passage.

Interpretation (What does it mean?):

Why does Jesus repeatedly mention His betrayal while talking about the example He has given them?

How literal or figurative are Jesus’ words about following His example (v. 15)?

What are the characteristics of Jesus’ example that we can use to find modern-day applications?

What are the characteristics of Jesus’ betrayal that we can use to find modern-day applications?

Application (What does it mean for me?):

What opportunities might you have for applying Jesus’ example this week?

What are situations where you might experience betrayal this week?

Inductive Bible Study

(A few general ideas)

Observation (What does it say?)

What facts do you **observe** about the passage that help bring out the writer's thought process?

- Who are the people involved?
- What action takes place?
- What type of literature is it (poetry, history, didactic, etc.)?
- What details are included or left out?
- Are any unusual words used?
- Is there symbolic language?
- What is the grammar of the passage (pronouns, prepositions, verb tenses)?
- Are words or ideas repeated?
- Any comparisons or contrasts?
- Any cause and effect?
- Are there indications of purpose (“in order that...”)?
- Are there conclusions (“Therefore...”)?
- Are there explanations?
- Does the passage logically break into sections?
- How would you summarize the passage?
- What would be a good “headline” for the passage?

Interpretation (What does it mean?)

What questions come to mind about the facts that would help you **interpret** the meaning?

- How would the original readers have understood the passage?
- What is the main emphasis?
- Why does the writer use repetition, or contrast, or unusual words?
- What does the grammar or structure of the passage reveal about the writer's thought pattern?
- Is there a logical sequence in the passage?
- How are different ideas in the passage connected?
- Are there any new ideas or concepts presented?
- Are there difficulties in the passage?

Application (What does it mean for me?)

What is the impact on your life? What **application** does the Holy Spirit want to show you?

- Is there a command to obey?
- Is there a promise to be thankful for?
- Is there an attribute of God to worship?
- Is there an example to follow?

Read nothing into the Scriptures, but draw everything from them, and suffer nothing to remain hidden that is really in them. – J.A. Bengel (1687-1752)