

LifeGroup Questions
Based on: John 13:1-17
April 7, 2019

Overview

Twenty-four hours is not a long time. In John 13 we read about Jesus washing His disciples' feet and sharing the last supper with them. Within 24 hours of all this happening all the disciples would abandon Jesus. They would all deny him. They went from reclining at a table having the Lord of the universe wash their feet to being scared for their own lives. They went from faith to faithless all within 24 hours.

Sometimes when we read through passages like this we wonder, "What are the disciples thinking?" After all, we would never deny Jesus and care more for ourselves. We would certainly have stayed by His side even if it meant death. It is easy to think how much more faithful we would be if put in this situation.

Everyone has moments. Whether we want to admit it or not there are times when we doubt and begin to think God has forgotten us. This is what makes the love of God so amazing. He remains faithful to us even when we are faithless. Jesus didn't die for the righteous. He died for those who abandoned Him and left Him to die on His own. He died for you and for me.

There are days when we feel close to God. There are days when we don't feel close to God. Your relationship with God cannot be based on feelings. Your feelings can change a lot even over a 24 hour period. The disciples felt like they would follow Jesus no matter where He went. Their feelings changed within 24 hours.

Base your relationship with God on what you know to be true. You know He loves you no matter what. You know He remains faithful when you are faithless. You know He died on the cross, was buried, and rose again 3 days later. You know that even on those days when you don't feel close to God that He is right there by your side. He will remain faithful.

Bible Study: John 13:1-17

1. Read John 13
 - a. How does this passage describe humility?
 - b. Jesus was washing the very feet of the disciples who would be running from Him in 24 hours. Discuss the faithfulness of God even when we are faithless.
 - c. How are you preparing your heart and mind for Easter this year?