

# Passion Week of Prayer and Fasting



*"Now before the Feast of the Passover, Jesus knowing that His hour had come that He should depart out of this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end." JOHN 13:1 NASB*

John 13-17 records the events which took place on "Maundy Thursday". We see the Lord shared the Passover Supper with His most trusted friends, a tradition which was incredibly sacred and meaningful... He nurtured His relationship with each of them through the washing of each one's feet... He told them stories through figurative language...

The Latin meaning of the word "Maundy" is that of "command"... What commands did the Lord give His disciples? John 13:34-35, Jesus' new command was to love one another as He had loved them... Jesus repeated this command later that evening, clearly stating this love would require death to self, John 15:12-14. If they loved in that way, they would be considered His friends. In His High Priestly Prayer, He prayed the world would recognize His followers as those who practiced unity...

"Well done, good and faithful servant..." These words of Jesus are ones which we each long to personally hear... to know that He considers each of us to be 'faithful'...

Where have we been faithful to His ways?  
Other focused, full of humility and unity?

Where have we denied Him and fallen into  
self-seeking ways?

As we approach the sorrow and the joy of  
Maundy Thursday, let us examine ourselves  
before our Lord, who leads us to repentance  
through kindness...

Let us fix our hope upon Jesus who is the  
author and perfecter of faith, knowing that He  
is trustworthy to complete what He has  
started... We are His workmanship...

**MATTHEW 25:14-30**

**JOHN 13:1-35; 15:17; 17:1-26**

**EPHESIANS 2:8-10**

**PHILIPPIANS 1:6; 2:1-11**

**HEBREWS 12:1-3**

**1 JOHN 3:1-3**

## Prayer Points

***That we all may experience the resurrection power in our lives, family & church.***

- **ROMANS 8:11** *"But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you."*
- **PHILIPPIANS 3:10** *"That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;"*