

SPIRITUAL FOOTWASHING

Reference: **John 13:1-15**

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verses three and four (see screen)

Most ancient personalities wore two basic garments:

One: an _____ garment called a **coat** or _____

Two: an _____ garment called a **cloak** or _____.

verses five through seven (see screen)

LESSON ONE is _____

The washing of someone's feet was considered the least desirable of that which a servant might be required to do and that is what Jesus did.

verses twelve through fifteen (see screen)

LESSON TWO is _____

There are two categories of forgiveness:

DEFINITION: **Judicial forgiveness** is comprehensive and once and for all inclusive forgiveness from God acting as a judge and results in the legal forgiveness of _____, i.e. past, present, and even future sins.

Reference: **Colossians 2:13** (see screen)

This judicial forgiveness is represented in this narrative through a _____ because to bathe means to completely wash our body.

DEFINITION: **Parental forgiveness** is forgiveness from God acting as a parent and results in the forgiveness of sin that has broken our _____ (i.e. relational closeness) to God.

Reference: **I John 1:9** (see screen)

This parental forgiveness is represented in this account through the _____-_____ which was something that needed to be repeated on an ongoing basis as long as someone's feet got dirtied, meaning as long as someone continues to sin.

One of the reasons God designed communion as an ordinance in the church is so that we might interrogate ourselves and confess our sin(s) to God (i.e. wash our feet in a spiritual sense) Let's answer these questions:

- Do we find it _____ to confess sin to God?
- Is our confession _____?
- Do we keep _____ sin accounts with God?
- Are we willing to _____ our sin to God?

verses eight through eleven (see screen)

In summation, there are two more questions we need to answer:

- Have you had a spiritual _____?
- Do you need to have your feet _____?