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“A LESSON OF HUMILITY & SERVICE”

[Jesus' Private Words To Apostles Before His Death]

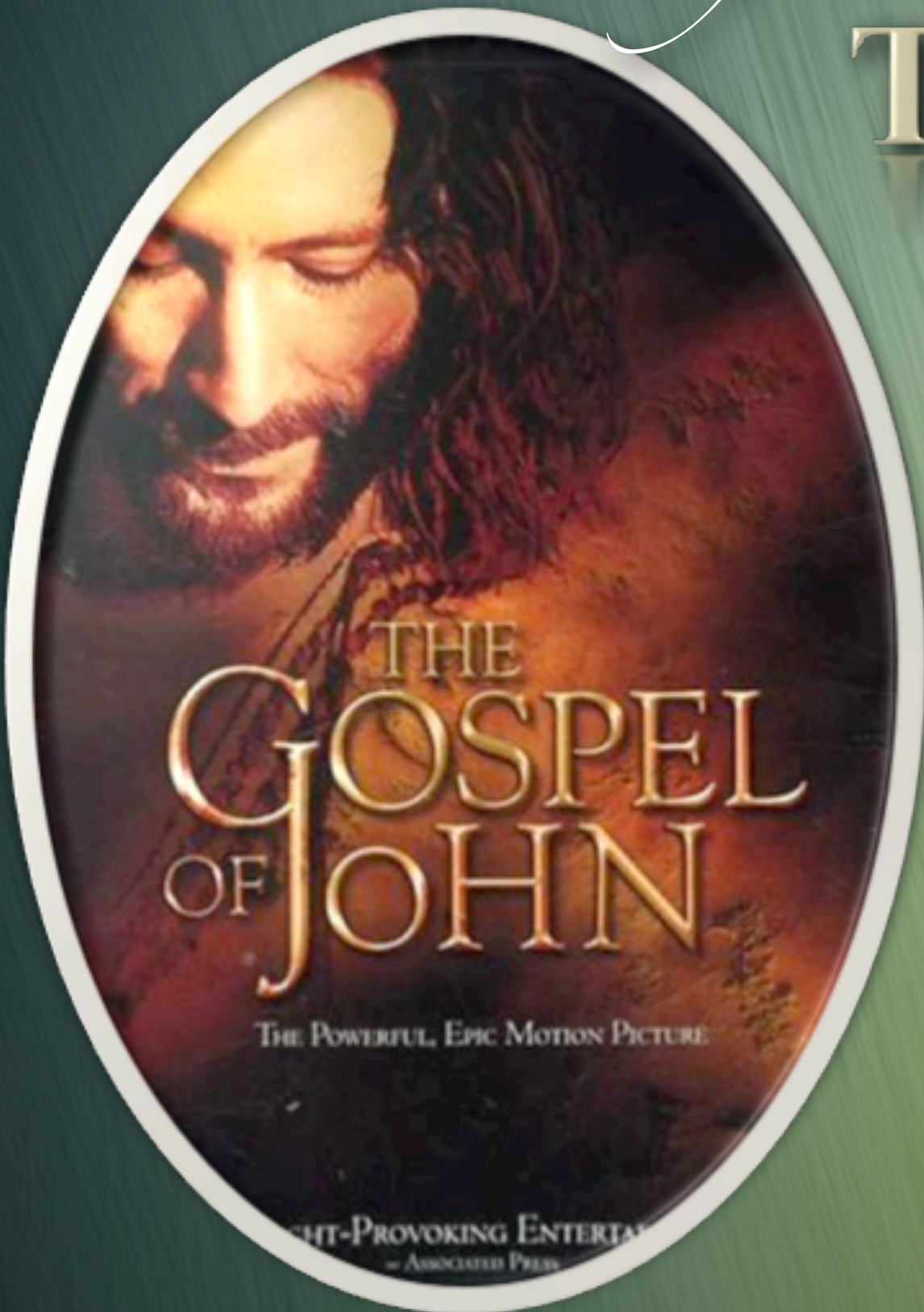
JOHN 13:1-18

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CONCLUSION OF JESUS' PUBLIC MINISTRY

➤ With the story of the raising of Lazarus from the dead, John has set the stage for the final days of Christ's ministry on earth . . .

- (1) The anointing (12:1–8)
- (2) Plot to kill Lazarus (12:9–11)
- (3) The triumphal entry (12:12–19).
- (4) The fruitful grain of wheat (12:20–26).
- (5) Jesus speaks of His death (12:27–36)
- (6) Jewish national unbelief & Jesus' response (12:37–50).



JOHN 13:1-18 (NKJV)

¹ Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end. ² And supper being ended, the devil having already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him,




JOHN 13:1-18 (NKJV)

³ Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God, ⁴ rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. ⁵ After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded.



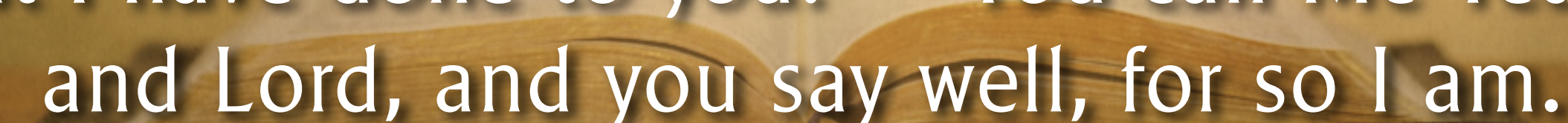
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⁶ Then He came to Simon Peter. And Peter said to Him, "Lord, are You washing my feet?" ⁷ Jesus answered and said to him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know after this." ⁸ Peter said to Him, "You shall never wash my feet!" Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me." ⁹ Simon Peter said to Him, "Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head!"



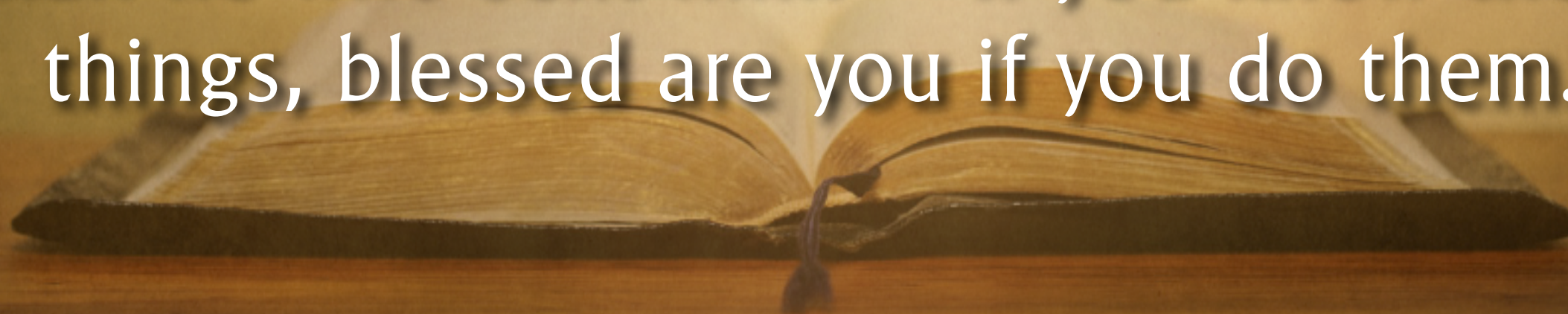
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¹⁰ Jesus said to him, "He who is bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you." ¹¹ For He knew who would betray Him; therefore He said, "You are not all clean." ¹² So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you?" ¹³ You call Me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am.



JOHN 13:1-18 (NKJV)

¹⁴ If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶ Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. ¹⁷ If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.



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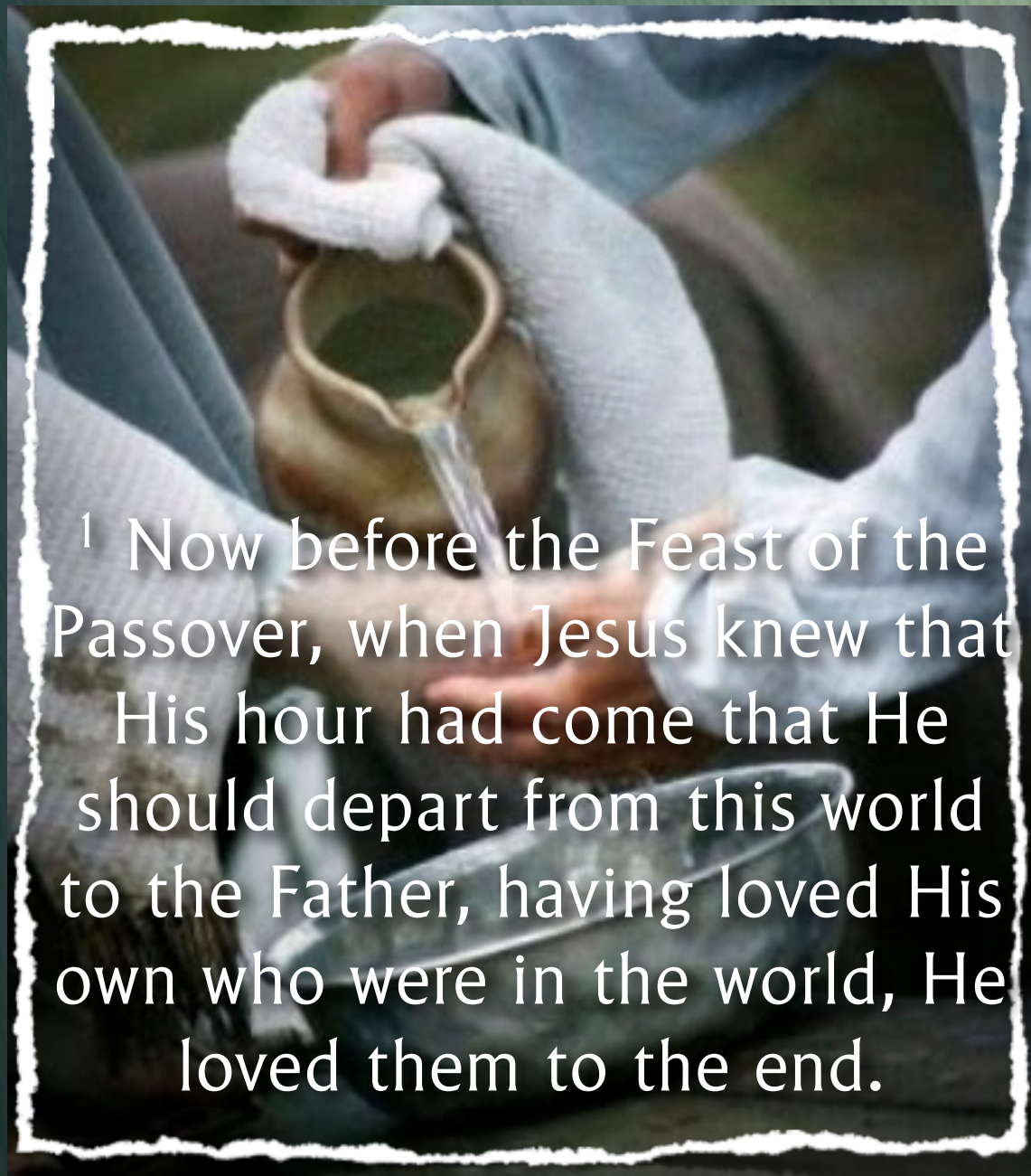
JESUS WASHES HIS DISCIPLES FEET – 13:1-10



- ◆ Chapters 13–17 concentrate on His teachings on that fateful night in which He was arrested.
- ◆ John's Gospel reports more of the content of Jesus' instructions to His disciples than the others.
- ◆ Before these instructions, Jesus teaches them the most important lesson as He washes His disciples' feet –

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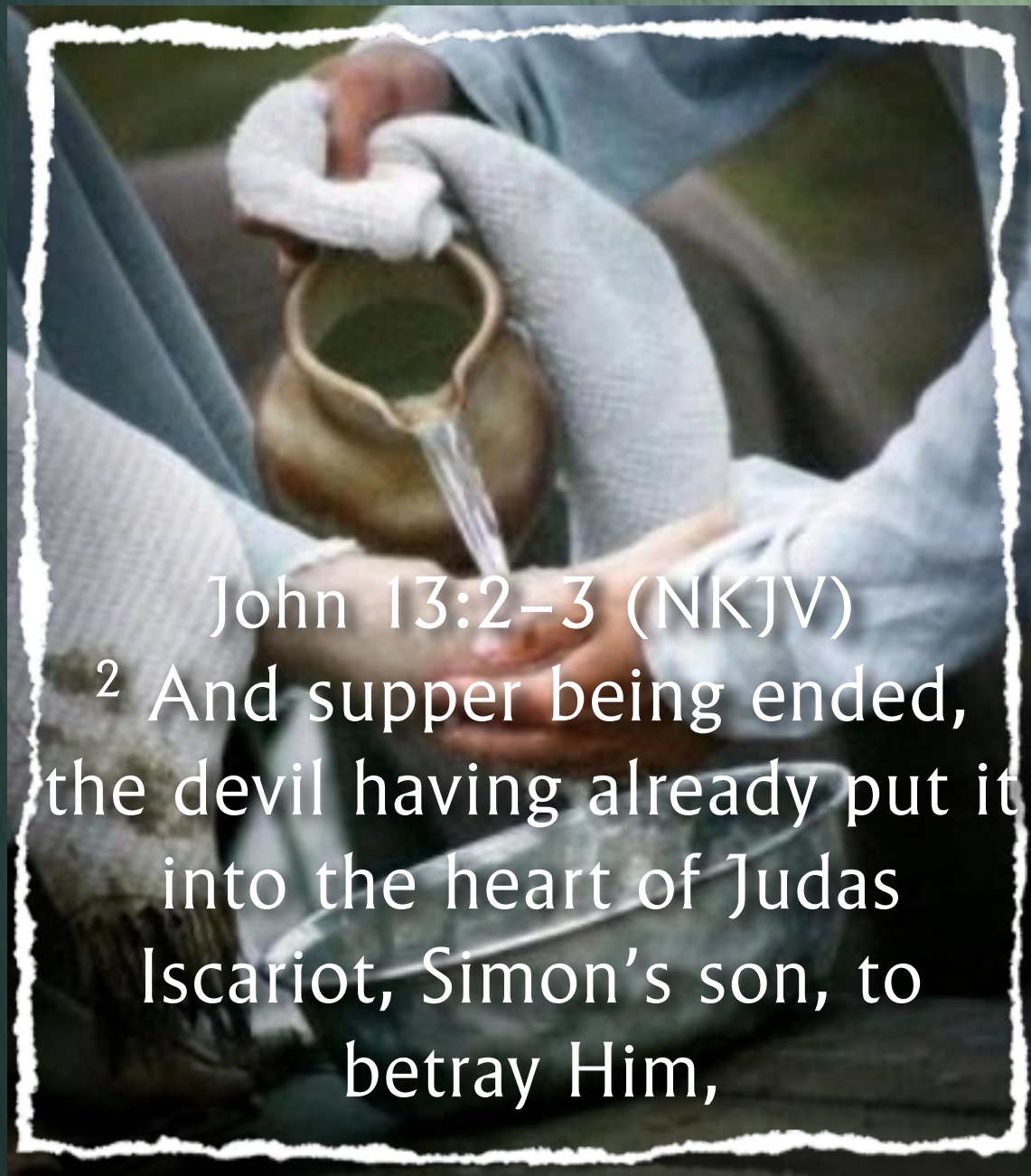


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- ◆ Jesus knew that His hour had come to die in obedience to the Father's will & that His glorification would follow His obedience – Heb 2:9ff; 5:8,9; 12:1,2– ch. 7:6, 30; 8:20; 12:23; 17:1; 18:4
- ◆ Jesus' love for His disciples was constant & to the "uttermost"

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John 13:2-3 (NKJV)

² And supper being ended, the devil having already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him,

- ◆ Other translations, "being prepared," "being served," or, "going on"; for that it was not "ended" is plain from Jn 13:26.
- ◆ "Put into the heart of Judas" ... referring to the agreement already made with the chief priests (Lu 22:3-6). – Jesus had predicted this (6:70-71). Later Satan enters Judas – (13:27).

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³ Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God,

- ◆ Jesus knew (cf. vv. 1, 18) His sovereign authority, His origin, and coming destiny; yet He voluntarily took the place of a slave, washing the feet of His disciples. – (cf. Phil. 2:5-8).
- ◆ His action contrasts sharply with their self-seeking (cf. Matt. 20:20-24; Mark 9:33-34; Luke 22:24-30)

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- ◆ Left heaven – John 6:51;
- ◆ Relinquished the glory He had in heaven – John 17:5
- ◆ Became a man! – Phil 2:5-8; Heb 2:10-18; 4:14-16
- ◆ Became POOR! – 2 Cor. 8:9; Mat 4:2; 8:20; Jn 4:6
- ◆ Suffered at the hands of cruel men & crucified! – Isa 53; Mat 26:47-27:50; 1 Pt 2:23,24

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- ◆ Done with awareness of His imminent death (v. 2)
- ◆ Done with awareness of his exalted position (v. 3)
- ◆ Girded self with towel – dressed like a servant (v. 4)
- ◆ Act of a servant (v. 5)
- ◆ Peter objects – Jesus explains – Peter submits – (v. 6-10)

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LESSON –HUMBLY SERVE OTHERS (13:12-17)



- ◆ The true teacher **SERVES** – 12,13; Mat 20:26–28; 1 Tim 3:1–10; Acts 20:28–31; 1 Pet 5
- ◆ We are to follow the **EXAMPLE** of Jesus – 14,15 – (12:26; Lk 9:23–26; 57–62; 1 Pet 2:21; 4:1–3; Phili 2:1–10; 1 Jn 2:6)
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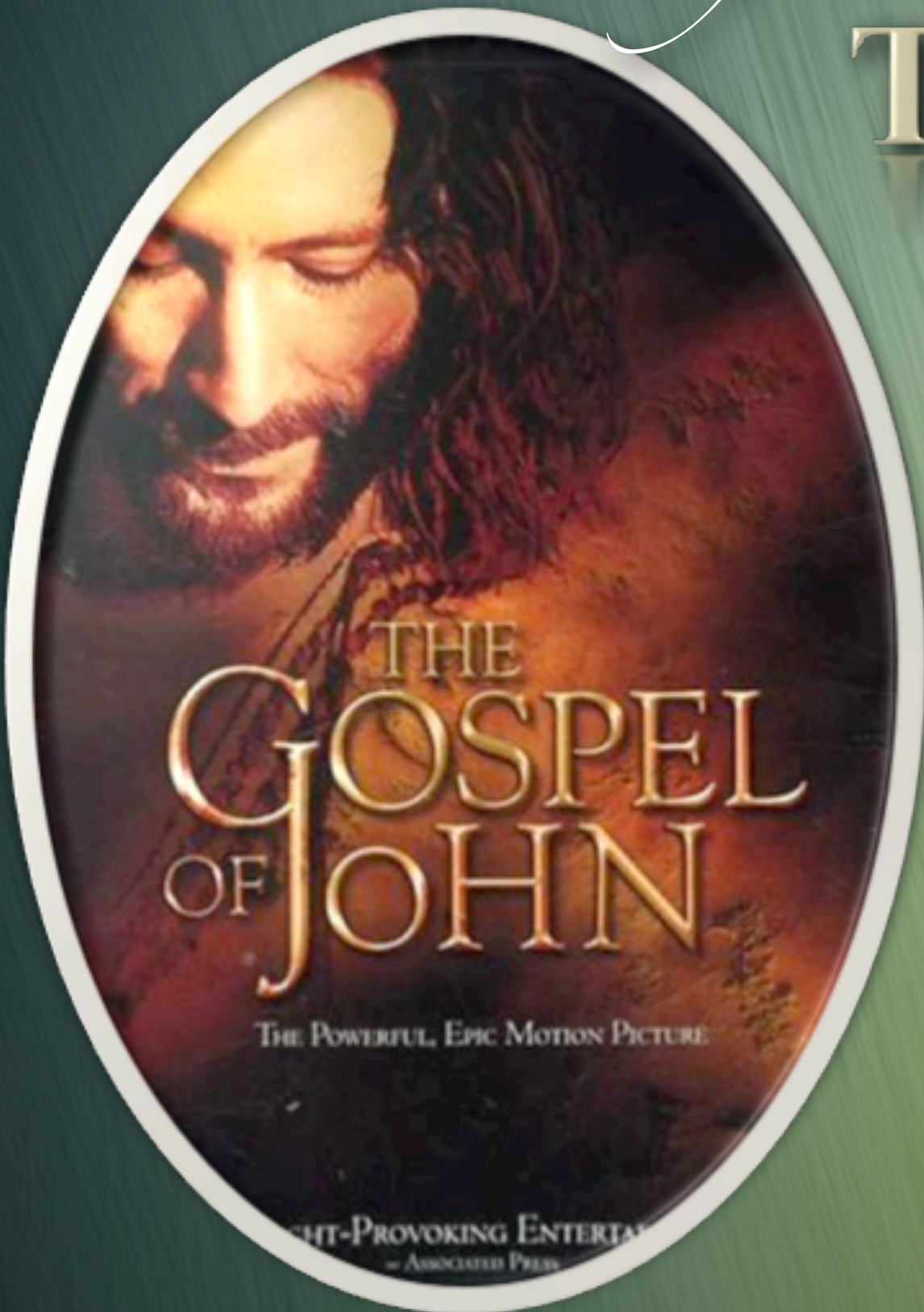
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ROMANS 12:9-18 (NKJV)

⁹ Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. ¹⁰ Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; ¹¹ not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord;

ROMANS 12:9-18 (NKJV)

¹² rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; ¹³ distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep.

ROMANS 12:9-18 (NKJV)

¹⁶ Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion. ¹⁷ Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men. ¹⁸ If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.