1. JESUS' PURPOSE WAS TO DEMONSTRATE HIS LOVE.

1John 3:16 – Message Bible

16 This is how we've come <u>to understand</u> and <u>experience love</u>: <u>Christ</u> <u>sacrificed his life for us. This is why we ought to live sacrificially for our</u> <u>fellow believers, and not just be out for ourselves.</u>

2. JESUS' PURPOSE WAS TO MODEL HUMILITY.

13:3-5 – 3 Now Jesus was fully aware that the Father had placed all things under his control, for he had come from God and was about to go back to be with him.

4 So he got up from the meal and took off his *outer robe* and took a *towel and wrapped it around his waist.*

5 Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' dirty feet and dry them with his towel.

Luke 22:24-NLT

24 Then they began to argue among themselves about *who would be the greatest among them.*

Luke 7:44-AMP

44 Then turning toward the woman, He said to Simon, Do you see this woman? When I came into your house, you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has wet My feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair.

13:6 --- 6 But when Jesus got to Simon Peter, he objected and said, "I can't let you wash my dirty feet—you're my Lord!"

13:7 --- ... 7 Jesus replied, "You don't understand yet the meaning of what I'm doing, but soon it will be clear to you."

13:8-11 - ...8 Peter looked at Jesus and said, "You'll never wash my dirty feet—never!"

"But Peter, if you don't allow me to wash your feet," Jesus responded, "then you will not be able to share life with me."

9 So Peter said, "Lord, in that case, don't just wash my feet, wash my hands and my head too!"

10 Jesus said to him, "You are already clean. You've been washed completely and you just need your feet to be cleansed—but that can't be said of all of you." For Jesus knew which one was about to betray him,

11 and that's why he told them that not all of them were clean.

Hebrews 10:22-NLT

22 let us go right into the presence of God with sincere hearts fully trusting Him. *For our guilty consciences <u>have been sprinkled with</u> <u>Christ's blood to make us clean</u>, and <u>our bodies have been washed with</u> <u>pure water</u>.*

3. JESUS WAS TO REPRESENT HIS ENTIRE MISSION.

13:13-15 - "You've called me your teacher and lord, and you're right, for that's who I am.

So if I'm your teacher and lord and have just washed your dirty feet, then you should follow the example that I've set for you and wash one another's dirty feet.

1 Peter 5:5-AMP

Clothe (apron) yourselves, all of you, with humility [*as the garb of a servant, so that its covering cannot possibly be stripped from you, with freedom from pride and arrogance*] toward one another.

Passion - In every relationship, each of you must wrap around yourself the apron of a humble servant.

1John 3:16-18-NLT

16 We know what real love is because Jesus gave up His life for us. *So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters.*

17 If someone has enough money to live well and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion—how can God's love be in that person?

18 Dear children, *let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions.*

Matthew:20:25-28-KJV

"You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them. Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant. And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave—<u>just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but</u> to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many"

Luke:6:35-Passion

But love your enemies and continue to treat them well. When you lend money, don't despair if you are never paid back, for it is not lost. You will receive a rich reward and you will be known as true children of the Most High God, having his same nature. For your Father is famous for his kindness to heal even the thankless and cruel.

1 Timothy 5:10 ... NKJV - (widows)...if she has washed the saints' feet...

13:15-16 - ...Now do for each other what I have just done for you. 16 I speak to you timeless truth: a servant is not superior to his master, and an apostle is never greater than the one who sent him.

13:17 --- ... 17 So now put into practice what I have done for you, and you will experience a life of happiness enriched with untold blessings!"



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