

John Series  
5.14.23  
John 13:1-17

## **The Smell of Beloved**

### **A. Dirty Feet Loved to the Full (vs 1)**

Do you know how much Jesus loves you? He loves you to the end...

### **B. Jesus Knew (vs2-3)**

Jesus Knew Who He Was:

- Where He came from: Identity
- Where He was going: Belonging
- What He was there to do: Calling

### **C. So He Got Up From the Table: a Picture of the Gospel (vs 4-5)**

So he got up from the table and took of his robe and put on an apron  
Phil 2:5-11

### **D. And Peter (vs 6-11)**

This is not an exercise in your salvation... that's not in question  
It's an invitation into intimacy with Jesus.

This is not a story about how our feet shouldn't get dusty... it's an invitation to follow  
Jesus on the road as his Beloved.

### **E. Now Likewise... (vs 12-17)**

The blessing that Jesus talks about extends from a place of intimacy  
with Jesus as his beloved

Do you know that you are his beloved... or do you believe you're just his business?

1. As his beloved:

-We serve and it is a blessing as our doing flows from our being

2. As his business:

-Our being (who we are) is derived from what we do

-And serving becomes performance oriented and eventually a curse

3. Intimacy is uncomfortable. And often we resist the very thing that we crave  
...to be fully known and fully loved.

What excuses are we making to avoid having Jesus wash our feet every day?

You are called his Beloved

-And as His beloved you can be fully confident in your home,  
allowed to be fully present in your surroundings,  
fully sure that the creator of the world is good,  
and He's not fully finished with you yet.