



The CENTER
for Christian Spirituality

Mauudy Thursday

6:00 p.m. + April 06

The foot, psychologically speaking, is the most external part of us, the part of us that meets with life...where you touch the ground – i.e. external life – and react to this external life mechanically.... You must keep your feet washed. When Christ washed the feet of his disciples, it meant that his teaching, if understood and followed, cleansed the external man, the external woman, from the mud of False Personality. Try to bring the Work [of Inner Christianity] into your minds when you feel negative and see what it means for yourselves to “wash the feet.”

Maurice Nicoll

The term love is used in the Gospels in a special way. It is conscious love, conscious relation, not mechanical love, that is meant. That is clear enough. When a man begins to realize he cannot love as he is, then at least he is nearer truth. He is no longer a fool. He has at least got rid of some imagination, some part of False Personality, got rid of some make-up, and so is nearer the possibility of conscious love. What passes as love in mechanical life is chiefly imagination. What people call love is usually satisfied self-love. To love is to work. Love is work.

P.D. Ouspensky

Crossing the Threshold

Acknowledging our Needs

*We come here to worship, we come here to pray.
Aware of our weakness, in need of your grace.
Some of us hiding, some of us found.
Standing together upon holy ground.*

*Boundless love and beautiful grace,
Filling this place, filling our hearts.
In our delight and in our despair,
Still you are there,
Flooding our lives with boundless love.*

“Boundless Love”

Reading

John 13:1-10a

Now it was just before the feast of Passover. Yeshua knew that His hour had come to depart from this world to the Father. Having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them until the end. Yeshua knew that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was returning to God. So He gets up from the seder meal and lays aside His outer garment; and taking a towel, He wrapped it around His waist. Then He pours water into a basin. He began to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel wrapped around Him. Then He comes to Simon Peter, who says to Him, “Master, are You going to wash my feet?” Yeshua responded, “You don't know what I am doing now, but you will understand after these things.” Peter said to Him, “You shall never wash my feet!” Yeshua answered him, “If I don't wash you, you have no part with Me.” Simon Peter said to Him, “Master, then not only my feet, but also my hands and my head!” Yeshua said to him, “He who has bathed has no need to wash, except the feet; he is completely clean.”

Meditation

A Prayer for Connection

“Creation Song” (verse 3)

*Set me on sacred ground,
Keep me connected to all that you are.
Let your abundance fill all that I am.
Set me on sacred ground.*

Removing the Barriers

Communing with Christ

Mark 14:22-25

And while they were eating, Yeshua took Bread; and after He offered the baracha, He broke it and gave it to them and said, “Take; this is My body.” And He took a Cup; and after giving thanks, He gave to them and they drank from it all. And He said to them, “This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Amen, I tell you, I will no more drink of the fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.”

Holy Communion

“I Am Here”

I Am here. I Am with you. We are One.

Journeying in Beauty

“I Walk”

*With beauty behind me I walk. With beauty before me I walk.
Today as I wander, I journey in goodness, Seeking out beauty I walk
With beauty below me I walk. With beauty above me I walk.
Today as I travel a trail of contentment, With calm assurance I walk.
That all may be beauty I walk.*

Reading

John 13:12-17, 33-35

So after He had washed their feet and put His robe back on and reclined again, He said to them, “Do you understand what I have done for you? You call Me ‘Teacher’ and ‘Master’ – and rightly you say, for I am. So if I, your Master and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash each other’s feet. I have given you an example – you should do for each other what I have done for you. Amen, amen I tell you, a servant isn’t greater than his master, and the one who is sent isn’t greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them! Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will search for Me; and just as I told the Judean leaders, so I say to you now, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, so also you must love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Preparing to Love

Song

“Boundless Love”

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Receiving a Good Word

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