

## Chapter 13

*At his laft fupper, to giue his farewel, and that in moft wonderful louing manner, 4. he washeth his Difciples feet, 6. begining with Peter, 8. (shewing how needffarie it is for vs to be washed of him in Baptifme; and needful alfo after Baptifme) 12. and by this example teaching them al humilitie one toward another. 21. Then he foretelleth, that (notwithftanding his exceeding loue toward them) one euen of them wil betray him, meaning Iudas, 22. as to Iohn he secretly sheweth. After whofe going out, he reioyceth and faith, that euen now the houre is come, 34. commendeth vnto them to loue together, as a new commandement, 36. and foretelleth Peter, who prefumed too much of his owne ftrength, that euen this night he wil deny him thrife.*

*Mt. 26, 1.  
Mr. 14, 1.  
Luc. 22, 1.*

**A**nd before the feftiual day of Pafche, IESVS knowing that his houre was come that he fhould paffe out of this world to his Father: whereas he had loued his that were in the world, vnto the end he loued them. <sup>2</sup> And when <sup>a</sup>fupper was done, whereas the Diuel now had put into the hart of Iudas Ifcariote the fonne of Simon, to betray him: <sup>3</sup> knowing that the Father gaue him al things into his handes, & that he came from God, and goeth to God: <sup>4</sup> he rifeth from fupper, and laieth afide his garments, and hauing taken a towel, girded himself. <sup>5</sup> After that, he put water into a bafon, and <sup>b</sup>began to wash the feete of the Difciples, and to wipe them with the towel where with he was girded. <sup>6</sup> He commeth therefore to Simon Peter. And Peter faith to him: Lord: doeft thou wash my feet? <sup>7</sup> IESVS answered and faid to him: That which I doe, thou knoweft not now, hereafter thou fhalt know. <sup>8</sup> Peter faith to him: Thou fhalt not wash my feet for euer. IESVS answered him: If I wafh thee not, thou fhalt not haue part with me. <sup>9</sup> Simon Peter faith to him: Lord,

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<sup>a</sup> By fupper, he meaneth the eating of the Pafchal lambe. for, the inftitution of the B. Sacrament was after this.

not only my feet, but also hands and head. <sup>10</sup> IESVS  
faith to him: He that is washed, needeth not but <sup>♠</sup>to  
wash his feet, but is cleane wholly. And you are cleane,  
but not al. <sup>11</sup> For he knew who he was that would betray  
him. therefore he said: You are not cleane al.

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, after he had washed their feet, and  
taken his garments, being fet downe, againe he said to  
them: Know you what I haue done to you? <sup>13</sup> You call  
me, Maister, and Lord: and you say wel, for I am so.  
<sup>14</sup> If then I haue washed your feet, Lord and Maister;  
<sup>♠</sup>you also ought to wash one anothers feet. <sup>15</sup> For I haue  
giuen you an example, that as I haue done to you, so you  
doe also. <sup>16</sup> Amen, amen I say to you, a seruant is not  
greater then his Lord, neither is an Apostle greater then  
he that sent him. <sup>17</sup> If you know these things, you shall  
be blessed if you doe them. <sup>18</sup> I speake not of you al: I  
know whom I haue chosen. But that the scripture may  
*Pf. 40, 10.* be fulfilled, *He that eateth bread with me shall lift vp  
his heele against me.* <sup>19</sup> From this time I tel you, before  
it come to passe: that when it shall come to passe, you  
may beleue, that I am he. <sup>20</sup> Amē, amē, I say to you,  
he that receiueth any that I send, receiueth me: & he  
that receiueth me, receiueth him that sent me. <sup>21</sup> When  
IESVS had said these things, he was troubled in spirit:

*Mt. 26, 18.*  
*Mr. 14, 16.*  
*Luc. 22, 21.*

and he protested, and said: Amen, amen I say to you  
that one of you shall betray me. <sup>22</sup> The Disciples therefore  
looked one vpon another, doubting of whom he spake.  
<sup>23</sup> There was therefore one of his Disciples leaning in the  
bosome of IESVS, he whom IESVS loued. <sup>24</sup> Therefore  
Simon Peter beckneth to him, and said to him: Who is  
it of whom he speaketh? <sup>25</sup> He therefore leaning vpon the  
breast of IESVS faith to him: Lord, who is he? <sup>26</sup> IESVS  
answered: He it is to whom I shall reach the dipped bread.  
And when he had dipped the bread, he gaue it to Iudas  
Icariote Simons sonne. <sup>27</sup> And after the morsel, then  
Satan entred into him. And IESVS faith to him: That  
which thou doest, doe it quickly. <sup>28</sup> But no man knew  
of those that fate at table to what purpose he said this  
vnto him. <sup>29</sup> For certaine thought, because Iudas had the

a)purfe, that IESVS had faid to him: Buie thofe things which are needful for vs to the feftiual day: or that he fhould giue fome thing to the Poore. <sup>30</sup> He therefore hauing receiued the morfel, incontinent went forth. And it was night.

<sup>31</sup> When he therefore was gone forth, IESVS faid: Now the Sonne of man is glorified, and God is glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God be glorified in him, God alfo wil glorifie him in himfelf, and incontinent wil he glorifie him.

<sup>33</sup> Litle children, yet a litle while I am with you. You fhall feeke me, & as I faid to the Iewes, whither I goe, you can not come: to you alfo I fay now. <sup>34</sup> ♪A new cōmandement I giue to you, That you loue one another; as I haue loued you, that you alfo loue one another. <sup>35</sup> In this al men fhall know that you are my Difciples, if you haue loue one to another. <sup>36</sup> Simon Peter faith to him: Lord, whither goeft thou? IESVS answered, Whither I goe, thou canft not now follow me, but hereafter thou fhalt follow. <sup>37</sup> Peter faith to him: Why can not I flow thee now? I wil yeald my life for thee. <sup>38</sup> IESVS answered him: Thy life wilt thou yeald for me? Amen, amen I fay to thee, the cocke fhall not crow, vntil thou denie me thrife.

*Io. 7, 34.*  
*1. Io. 3, 23.*  
*Mt. 26, 35.*  
*Mr. 14, 29.*  
*Lu. 22, 33.*

## ANNOTATIONS

5 Began to wash) This lotion was not only of curtefy, fuch as the Iewes vfed toward their ghefts, nor only for example of humilitie: but for myfterie and fignification of the great puritie that is required before we come to receiue the holy Sacrament, which ftraight after this washing was to be intituted and giuen to the Apoftles. *Ambr. li. 3. de Sacra. c. 1. Bernard de cœna Domini Sermon. 1.*

Puritie required to the receiuing of the B. Sacrament.

10 To wash his feete) The foulnes of the feete, when al the reft is cleane, fignifieth the earthly affections and relikes of former finnes remitted: which are to be cleaned by deuout actes of charitie and humilitie, as *S. Ambrofe li. 3. de Sacra c. 1.* and *S. Auguftin ep. 108. & tract. 56. in Io.* doe note. And becaufe

Venial finnes taken away by facred ceremonies.

<sup>a</sup> Chrifft had fome prouifion before hand giuen him by the Collections of the faithful; which was vfed both in his owne neceffities, & beftowed vpon the poore.

*Ambr. & Bern.  
locis citatis.*

this was only a ceremonie, & yet had such force, both now, and afterward used of the Apostles, that it purged smaller offenses and filthines of the foule, as *S. Ambrose* and *S. Bernard* gather, it may not seeme strange that holy-water and such ceremonies may remit venial finnes.

14 You also ought) Our Maister neuer spake plainer, nor seemed to command more precisely, either of Baptisme or the Eucharist or any other Sacramēt: and yet by the Churches iudgement directed by the Holy Ghost we know this to be no Sacrament nor necessarie ceremonie, and the other to be. And why doe they beleue the Church in this, and doe not credit her affirming the chalice not to be necessarie for the communicants?

The Church defineth which are Sacraments and which not &c.

34 A new commandement) The commandement of mutual loue was giuen before, but manifoldly misconstrued, and abridged by the Iewes to freinds only, to this life only, for earthly respects only: but Christ reneweth it and enlargeth it after the forme of his owne loue towards vs, and giueth grace to fulfil it.