

## The Psalms: Betrayed By a Friend

**BUILDING  
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# SEARCHING FOR THE KING

Can you find the book of **PSALMS** in your Bible? We're going to read from **Psalm 41** today. For a few weeks, we're looking at some of the psalms David wrote. What's the connection to Jesus? How do the psalms help us see our King and understand his will for our lives?

In **Psalm 41**, David writes:

\_\_\_\_\_ is the one who considers the poor!

In the day of trouble the LORD delivers him... (**Psalm 41:1-2**)

God wants us to treat others the way we would **LIKE** to be treated, right? But some had all sorts of ugliness in their hearts against David. Pay careful attention especially to what he wrote in **Psalm 41:9**:

Even my close \_\_\_\_\_ in whom I trusted,  
who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.

**What does this have to do with our search for our King?** A thousand years after David wrote **Psalm 41**, Jesus gathered in an upper room with his apostles. During supper...

He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' \_\_\_\_\_ and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. (**John 13:4-5**)



Jesus even washed Judas' feet—the man who was about to betray him! **WHY?** Listen carefully to what Jesus said next:

"I know whom I have chosen. But the Scripture will be \_\_\_\_\_, 'He who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me.' I am telling you this now, before it takes place, that when it does take place you may \_\_\_\_\_ that I am he." (**John 13:18-19**)

**What's the connection?** Of all the passages Jesus could reach back to, why **Psalm 41**? What does it help us believe about our King? **Let's talk about it...**

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Let's listen carefully to Jesus' words in [John 13:12-15](#):

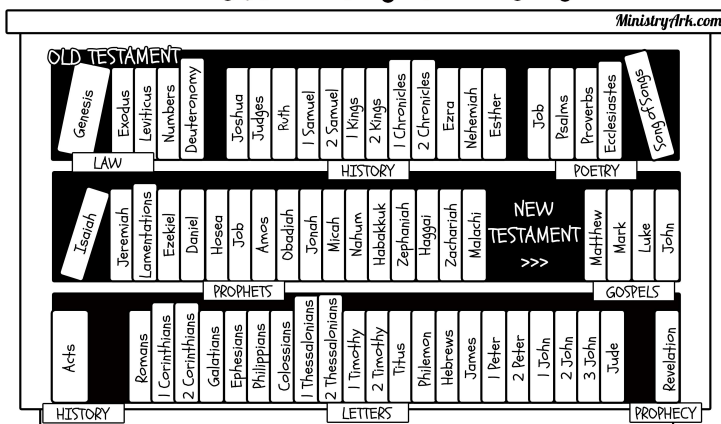
“Do you understand what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you.”



We may not wash each other's feet today, but can you think of some ways we can follow Jesus' example and serve the people around us?

What did Jesus mean when he said, “Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them” ([John 13:16-17](#))?

## Books of the Bible



In [John 13:18-19](#), Jesus said, “the Scripture will be fulfilled” and he quoted [Psalm 41:9](#). Jesus fulfilled a 1,000 year old prophecy! “I am telling you this now, before it takes place, that when it does take place you may believe that I am he” ([John 13:19](#)). What does Jesus want us to believe? Who **IS** he?