

Doctrine of Nipto Versus Louo

1. The Lord used the occasion of the Passover not only to eat a farewell meal; He also used the occasion to teach extensively his disciples, and by way of secondary application us of the church age. These teachings are recorded only by John in his gospel.
2. Jesus taught rebound to his disciples in John Chapter 13 when He washed the disciples feet. It was here He told them they had only to wash once (**Louo**) their bodies, a reference to faith alone in Christ alone but that they had need to often wash (**Nipto**) their feet, a reference to confession of sin.

Jesus Washes His Disciples' Feet

Joh 13:1 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.

Joh 13:2 And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;

Joh 13:3 Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God;

Joh 13:4 He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself.

Joh 13:5 After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash (**Nipto**) the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

Joh 13:6 Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash (**Nipto**) my feet?

Joh 13:7 Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.

3. The last half of the chapter deals with humility and the importance of thinking of others first before self.

Joh 13:8 Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash (**Nipto**) my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash (**Nipto**) thee not, thou hast no part with me.

Joh 13:9 Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.

Joh 13:10 Jesus saith to him, He that is washed (**Louo**) needeth not save to wash (**Nipto**) his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all.

Joh 13:11 For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean (a reference to Judas Iscariot).