

**ST THOMAS, BRADWELL
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APRIL 2020

Village View

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From the Rector

Dear Friends,

At this time, please be assured of my prayers for you all, that this virus may be contained, that people may recover from it and that a vaccine may be found as soon as possible. Our public worship has been cancelled for the foreseeable future, but the Church will be open throughout the day for you to come and find some strength, comfort and peace amongst the strangeness of these times. I will be at our churches saying prayers for the Community, the nation and the world through the week. I will be at St Lawrence Church on Mondays 10.00am to 11.00am, Centre 11.00am - 12.00; Tillingham on Wednesdays 10.00am - 12.00; Dengie Thursdays 10.00am - 11.00am and Bradwell on Fridays, 10am - 12.00; We are still allowed to conduct Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals, although with immediate family only and that the social distancing needs to apply. If you need any practical help with shopping or anything else, please let me know as there are some church members who have offered themselves to help at this time. If you are not self-isolating and would like a visit from me, then please get in touch, although distancing will need to be applied. Please also let me know of any individual prayer requests at this time or call if you would just like a chat. I will be leaving sermons and reflections available via email and printed copies in the church from Sunday and other prayers can be found on the Church of England website.

God bless,

Reverend Steven.

Telephone 01621 779620 - Email: stevenposs@hotmail.com

A Prayer for all those affected by Coronavirus.

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Easter message from The Right Reverend Stephen Cottrell, Bishop of Chelmsford:

Departures and Arrivals

Easter, and perhaps especially Eastertide through to the feast of Pentecost, is always a season of departures and arrivals. The desolation of Good Friday seems to be about Jesus leaving us. Easter Day is about surprising arrival. The feast of the Ascension, though a great triumph, also has Jesus departing into heaven. The great feast of Pentecost, with which Eastertide concludes, is the arrival of the Holy Spirit whereby Jesus is with us in a new and unconstrained way, equally available to everyone.

As I write this, I am feeling the pull of arrivals and departures rather keenly. It isn't going to be easy leaving the Chelmsford diocese. I have loved being your bishop. Essex is the county I grew up in. It will always be home. I have enjoyed its vim, wit and entrepreneurial energy. I have been privileged to serve as bishop at such exciting times, not just the Olympic Games coming to the diocese in 2012, nor even our glorious centenary celebrations in 2014 where both the Queen one week and the Archbishop of Canterbury the next visited the diocese, but the drive, faithfulness and creativity that has been put into trying to reshape the church for mission. Our vision is that the Church might be a transforming presence, better able to serve the communities of East London and Essex, and demonstrating the love of Christ by our witness and service. Serving as Bishop of Chelmsford at such a time has been a huge privilege. It will be hard saying goodbye.

But I'm also excited by what lies ahead. God is calling me to a new ministry and new adventures. This is always the pattern of the gospel. There is never a point in this life where any of us can say we have arrived. On that first Easter day Jesus says to Mary Magdalene in the garden: "Do not cling to me." (John 20.17) Which I suppose also means for us: don't think you can pin me down; don't imagine you can control or constrain me or even completely understand me. Or as the great Welsh priest poet put it in his poem Pilgrimages –

"He is such a fast God, always before us and leaving as we arrive."

May God bless you this Easter with a new knowledge of his love for you and his purpose for your life. And may he lead you into new adventures.

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead is the turning point of human history. God's future arrives in our present. And we are moved beyond ourselves to work together for a new creation and a new world order, a kingdom of justice and peace. In this great Spirit-led movement of change we are always leaving and always arriving.

Bishop Stephen

The Bishop's Lent Appeal 2020

Freeing people from dependency and helping them live more abundant lives

What prevents people from living an abundant life? In many parts of the world, access to food, water and education are just some of the barriers.

Another barrier is dependency – that sense that an individual can do nothing without constant help from another person.

This year's Lent Appeal seeks to help people in Marsabit in northern Kenya discover that life can be more abundant.

Many people in this dry and arid region live below the national poverty line of less than £25 a month, whilst climate change and scarcity of water and pasture has left them vulnerable to food insecurity. In addition, only 28% of women and 47% of men are literate.

With your help, Five Talents will be able to train twelve groups this year across Marsabit in literacy, numeracy and basic business skills.

This will enable these groups, predominantly of women, to create savings and loans co-operatives, which will help them to become more financially independent, develop businesses and ensure that their children can access education for themselves.

Five Talents will be working closely with our link diocese in Marsabit, and particularly the Mother's Union to achieve this goal.

This is a programme that has already helped people in other parts of East Africa to be set free from dependency, and live a more abundant life.

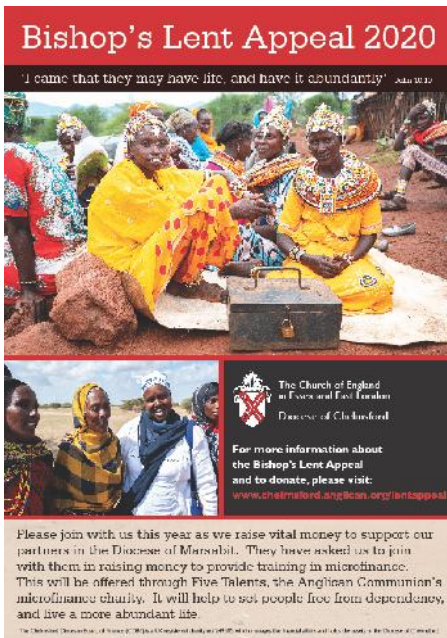
To support the Bishop's Lent Appeal we will be [insert details of event or service in your parish].

Your donations will release the people of Marsabit to live such a life for themselves.

If you would like more information about the project in Marsabit, please email the Revd Lee Batson ibatson@chelmsford.anglican.org.

Donations

Donations can be made online at www.chelmsford.anglican.org/lentappeal or by sending a cheque made payable to CDBF with 'Lent Appeal' on the reverse to Lent Appeal, Diocese of Chelmsford, 53 New Street, Chelmsford CM1 1AT.



Bishop's Lent Appeal 2020

'I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly' John 1:9

The Church of England
in Essex and East Angles
Diocese of Chelmsford

For more information about
the Bishop's Lent Appeal
and to donate, please visit:
www.chelmsford.anglican.org/lentappeal

Please join with us this year as we raise vital money to support our partners in the Diocese of Marsabit. They have asked us to join with them in raising money to provide training in microfinance. This will be offered through Five Talents, the Anglican Communion's microfinance charity. It will help to set people free from dependency, and live a more abundant life.

The Diocese of Chelmsford is a member of the Church of England (Anglican) and is part of the Church of Christ.

'All manner of thing shall be well.'

'And all shall be well and all manner of thing shall be well' is perhaps the only contact most of us have had with the work of Mother Julian of Norwich who lived between 1341/42 and about 1416



We do not know Julian's actual name but the one which we use is taken from St. Julian's Church in

Norwich where she lived as an anchoress for most of her life and was known as a spiritual counsellor. People would come to her to seek advice. This was a time of plague and poverty, as well as a famine, yet her writings are suffused with hope and trust in God's goodness.

Never beatified, Julian is honoured on the unofficial feast day of May 13. A modern chapel in the Church of St. Julian has been dedicated to her memory. We recall her principally through her book, *The Revelations of Divine Love*, which is believed to be the first book in English written by a woman to have survived. Although she referred to herself as being 'un-lettered' she wrote in a beautifully simple style, showing a firm grasp of traditional theology.

In 1373, at the age of 30, she suffered a serious illness. When she was believed to be dying she received sixteen revelations within a few hours, a mixture of intellectual visions, bearing the characteristics of true mysticism. In her *Revelations*, she showed an intelligent, sensitive and very down-to-earth woman who maintained her trust in God's goodness whilst addressing doubt, fear and deep theological questions.

Her fundamental outlook is optimistic. The Lord tells her: 'All shall be well' and 'You shall see for yourself that all manner of thing shall be well.'

Little is known of Julian's later years when she was living as a recluse in Norwich. People came from afar to see and consult her so she clearly enjoyed a certain renown. The date of her death is unknown but the last reference to her as a living person was in a will dated 1416.

CAFÉ EXTRA –

Café Extra has been meeting every Wednesday at the Church Centre between 2 and 4pm over the past six years. A warm welcome has been extended to folk who have come for a chat or to join in and play Scrabble, Rummikub and other board games. Free tea, coffee and home-made cakes have enhanced the afternoon.

In view of the current epidemic it has been decided to suspend the meetings until further notice as many supporters have attained an age

where the possibilities of serious illness become higher or have friends and relatives with underlying health problems which present an additional risk.

Please return or come and join as soon as the current crisis is over. Don't sit at home alone. If you need transport, either as a helper or just to come and sample our warm and friendly gathering, please let us know



VE Day at St Lawrence



The planned celebrations have been cancelled but it has been suggested that at 3.00pm in our own homes we should all remember with gratitude the momentous events of 75 years ago.

Internet Day 2020.

The global theme was 'Together for a Better Internet'.

The internet can be a wonderful place to learn, shop, play games, and talk to your friends. Unfortunately, there are predators, identity thieves, and others online who may try to harm you. We spent the afternoon learning how to stay safe online, ways of reducing risk and the consequences of online behaviours.

The children produced some lovely work to be displayed within school, a reminder of how important it is to Speak Out and Stay Safe.



We hope this may be followed up at a later date, when school resumes, by a visit from the NSPCC who will reinforce the message through assemblies and workshops. .

St Lawrence WI

The March meeting of the WI was the Annual Meeting, (held a month early as the President will be away in April). The minutes of the previous meeting were read, all members were given a copy of the financial statement, and a résumé of the previous year's activities was read out. Cathie agreed to stay on as President, and the Committee was elected.

The previous Sunday's visit to Cliffs Pavilion to see "Swan Lake" was very much enjoyed, and thanks to Carol for organising it. There had also been an outing to a wine tasting at New Hall Vineyard, which was interesting and enjoyable.

Future events were agreed but will now need to be put on hold until national regulations are relaxed to allow a return to normal patterns of life. After the business, and tea break, there was a quiz, (quite difficult!) Pennies for Friendship was won by Joan, and the meeting finished at 10 p.m.

Bradwell WI

At the March meeting of Bradwell-on-Sea WI members enjoyed a very interesting talk by Caz Becker. Mr. Becker, a South African of Afrikaner descent, spoke about the great passion of his life - biltong. He has continued making this dried meat speciality of southern Africa and outlined the process of its preparation. Silverside beef steaks are treated with balsamic vinegar and his secret mix of spices. It is then dried for 3 - 4 days in the dehydrator, which circulates warm air around the meat. Finally, the dried meat is cut into fine slices. Mr. Becker had brought along a bowl of biltong to sample and a number of members found it very "moreish". The competition for something South African was won by Brigid with her beautiful wooden bowl. This month's raffle was won by Pam.

The logo features the text 'the WI' in a large, green, lowercase sans-serif font, with 'the' in a smaller size than 'WI'. Below this, the words 'INSPIRING WOMEN' are written in a bold, dark green, uppercase sans-serif font.

Planned events have now been cancelled in line with national restrictions

The Othona Community re-awakens, April 2020.

How can we plan anything in these difficult times? The Othona Community wishes everyone a safe, healthy and happy spring. If we need to make changes to our plans to protect our visitors we will. Do look at our website or telephone us before visiting if you have any doubts.

Othona, like us all, had great hopes and plans for the spring. We hoped for a peaceful Spring Retreat Weekend with Bishop John Perumbalath, a joyful Easter with Rev Andrew Gough and the lighting of the Easter morning bonfire with Bishop Steven Cottrell, with our friends Gilo and Sarah leading us in the Festival of Song to round off April. Now Othona, like so many of the places we know and love



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and where we share our friendships, is closed for the foreseeable future. No....not closed. The Othona Bradwell site, like the Othona

Dorset site, may have had to temporarily close its doors for the safety and health of us all. But Othona's heart is still open. Do share in Community through letters, videos and updates on the website and other media. And be with us in spirit and in prayer whenever you seek the friendship of Othona, and particularly at 9p.m. on a Thursday evening when our founder, Norman Motley, established the Dedication Service in the Chapel to pray for Othona, and those who are there or in our thoughts. You are welcome to email or telephone for updates or just to share time with those who are staying on at Othona to keep things ticking over in preparation for our re-awakening."

The Othona Community Centres at Bradwell and in West Dorset have both been closed for major refurbishments, and were just ready for re-opening. In Dorset they have all new wash-room facilities and a beautiful new All-Seasons Art Block. Here at Bradwell we are well on the way to achieving the almost total reduction of our carbon footprint, and ceasing our reliance on fossil or nuclear fuels. The biomass boiler is up and running, for heating and instant hot water. The solar panels are in place and the old wind-turbine is still running, giving us some electricity. We have a diesel generator used now, but intended just for back-up once the whole system is installed. The newly refurbished Education Building is nearing completion – ready for bookings when we resume normal activities.

We plan a fund-raising campaign to purchase the second wind generator that will complete our sustainable energy plans and fit us for future developments

including accessible accommodation. . Othona will need to raise quite a considerable sum and will be relying on the generosity of all who believe in the future of Othona. This will be an opportunity to invest in an electricity generating system that is wonderfully green, sustainable, unobtrusive, and giving opportunities for fellowship and friendship at the heart of our community....do support us!

Tim Fox is our Warden/Manager, with Debbie and Richard Sanders. For an update on current conditions please consult our Website www.othonaessex.org.uk or ring Othona at Bradwell (it's down East End Rd and through East Hall Farm) on 01621 776564.



The Four Seasons Studio, Othona, Burton Bradstock, Dorset.

April 2020 Readings

As you are probably aware, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York have instructed all churches to suspend public worship until further notice.

If you need prayers said for someone specifically could you either let the Churchwardens or Rectors know by phone or email.

Reverend Steven also asks us read our bible or Christian books, pray, sing and help our neighbours. He will try to provide a weekly sermon and reflections in some way.

Please find below the readings for April and the Easter period.

April 5 th Palm Sunday (Palm liturgy)	Psalm 118.1-2,19-29 Matthew 21.1-11
April 9 th Maundy Thursday	Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13.1-17, 31-35
April 10 th Good Friday	Isaiah 52:13-53end 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 18.1-19end
April 12 th Easter Sunday	Acts 10.34-43 Colossians 3.1-4 John 20.1-18
April 19 th Easter 2	Exodus 14.10-31;15.20-21 Acts 2.14a, 22-32 John 20.19-23
April 26 th Easter 3	Zephaniah 3.14-20 or 1 Peter 1.17-23 Acts 2.14a, 36-41 Luke 24.13-35
May 3 rd Easter 4	Genesis 7.1-24 Acts 2.42-47 John 10.1-10

Plant of the month - Tulips

Not the time to plant but the time to enjoy, what a delight Tulips are in April after all the yellows and whites of early spring we suddenly have such a splash of vibrant colours in the garden.

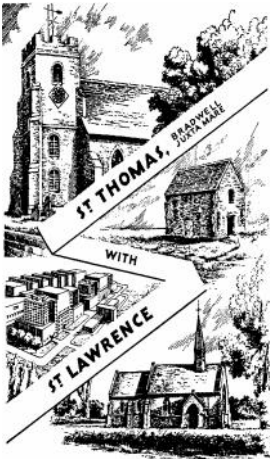
The bulbs are best planted late in the year, right up to Boxing Day as it is best for them to put their roots down after the earth has cooled down as by then viral fungal diseases that lurk in the soil have gone. The bulbs are best planted deeply to make them more likely to flower for year after year. Try planting them in tubs like the ones shown here in the picture.



After they have flowered it is important to allow the leaves to die away naturally to boost the bulbs so they flower next year.

May Village View

All copy for the May magazine should be sent to Roger Scurrell by phone (776341), posted through the letterbox of 6 St Thomas' Row, Bradwell, or by email to the address below, all by April 16th.



Those living in St Lawrence may give copy to Shirley Lea at 51 Main Road (779403) or email to bronwen.cook@btinternet.com by this date. Copy may also be submitted as a text or Microsoft Word or Publisher file, either on CD or, better still, by email to stthomaspcc@btinternet.com. We ask you to limit your article to 300-350 words and please include a picture

We apologise but **no articles will be accepted after April 16th**.

If you belong to an organisation that does not yet submit articles for the magazine we would like to hear from you even in longhand if you do not have access to a computer. Any news you have is always very welcome.

From the Wensleyhouse April 2020

Rain fell all day on our small flock. Ethel found a place for Daphne and Dorothea to sit with their backs to the wind and rain but their ears drooped and their fleece clung to their backs.

In the heaviest downpour their shepherds came, moved the car out of the garage, spread straw on the floor and set hurdles across the entrance.

Ethel lead the way out of the electric fence enclosure. The rain stopped, the sun appeared, and look, lush green Cow Parsley was growing beside the garage! No one was ready for bed, it would be downright ungrateful to leave this delicious food! All discomforts were forgotten. Cow Parsley filled their minds and tummies and they were happy!



It took time, encouragement and ewe nuts to persuade them that it was snug in the garage.

They accepted the ewe nuts with a curt 'thanks', returning directly to the Cow Parsley. Finally, with the help of the next shower everyone was in the garage! Cherry-Blossom discovered hay behind the hurdles at the back and took great interest in extracting mouthfuls. Dorothea and Daphne sat down in the dry straw and felt comfortable for the first time that day.

Aunty Ethel stood up. She walked around and found that they were shut in. Outside it was still light, with cow parsley and her beloved field. Inside was strange, gloomy, unfamiliar, with dark corners and strange sounds from the roof.

No! She really wasn't going to stand for this. She yelled and rattled on the hurdle. Why were her shepherds not letting her out of this strange place? She yelled and rattled again, 'I don't like it in here!'

Her shepherds were waiting outside and it was raining heavily again. Water was dripping off their every being, from wellyboots to waterproof coats, that somehow weren't quite so waterproof as advertised. They were waiting and listening. Hoping that Ethel would accept the garage as a bed for the night and wondering what to do if she didn't.

Her yells and rattles and the panic in her voice subsided. Daphne and Dorothea were fine, sitting quietly singing, Cherry-Blossom was fine. Ethel tried sitting down too, to check it was ok. It was.

So her shepherds went off to their own beds to dream of poor unhappy Ethel, the flock and the garage.

In the morning, before the sun was really up, their shepherd opened the garage door carefully, fearful of what would be found there. Four pairs of sleepy eyes looked up with surprise. 'Breakfast time? Ewe nuts???'

Is Tidy Really Beautiful ?

The greatest tropical rain forest in the world comprises the Amazon basin and more. The sheer wealth of species found here is truly breath-taking. These species have co-existed for millennia in ways still being discovered. Many of the species of course are uneasy neighbours – one preying on the other, the other developing strategies of survival. But it all works.

The pictures we see, more and more frequently, of huge areas of this vast natural miracle being trashed, burnt to the ground, all to expand cattle ranches or soya farms, are truly sickening. And not only are plants and animals becoming extinct before even being discovered, millions of tons of carbon are being added to an atmosphere, with serious consequences for us all. This doesn't start to mention the terrible consequences on the lives of remote indigenous peoples, real communities who have consciously decided to have nothing to do with 'civilisation'.



But hang on, I hear you say, you thought my job in these pages is to write on birds. Please bear with me and read on.

There are 'waste', 'untidy', 'scruffy' areas, many of them public areas, in our two wonderful villages. These areas are so important to wild life. Which of my readers



would catch a butterfly and tear its wings off? I saw no hands go up. But anyone who cuts down a bank of stinging nettles in a place where it does no harm is tearing the wings off a thousand Peacock butterflies. No – of course that is a vast exaggeration. But now comes the bird bit – 990 (give or take a few) of those 1000 crawling black caterpillars eating the nettle leaves will be eaten by Blackbirds, Robins,

Blue Tits and much else. By depriving butterflies of their food plant, we are depriving birds of their food, and ultimately condemning them to extinction – just as much, on a vastly increased scale, as those interlocking Amazon species are being deprived, many lost for ever.

And this is neglecting the wonder of those ten butterflies which *do* manage to emerge from their chrysalis (and what a wonder *that* is) to give us all untold pleasure. And it also ignores the fact that these unkempt areas are not just about nettles and butterflies – so much else lives there, all part of that rich intertwined ecosystem which makes up planet earth. Before such rich habitats are destroyed, please can thought be given to the necessity, indeed the morality, of such action. Think of the Amazon, and let us all co-exist with Nature.

Brian Clayden

Gardening in April

Hanging baskets and tubs can be planted if they can be kept in a greenhouse until frosts are over.

Dahlia tubers could be planted out towards the end of the month. Start planting gladioli corms in their flowering position, plant some out every couple of weeks to stagger flowering (these can be started in a shallow tray of compost to get the roots growing).

Sow flower seeds, sunflowers, nasturtiums, poppies etc. in their flowering position.

Remove any rhubarb flowers at the base otherwise they steal energy from the plant. Now is the time to prune stone fruits, such as plum, cherry and peach at the end of April during their growing season to avoid risk of infection.

Plant main crop potatoes in trenches. Earth up first earlies as they appear.

Sow carrots, peas, beetroot, winter cabbages, broccoli, radish, spring onions etc. as the soil gets warmer.

Sow sweetcorn and runner bean seeds indoors ready to plant out in May.



Start to harden off greenhouse plants in a cold frame towards the end of the month.

Sow marrows, courgettes, pumpkins, squashes and cucumbers in pots indoors. Buy your tomato plants for growing indoors.

Open greenhouse vents on sunny days to prevent humidity rising to reduce the chance of viral fungal diseases building up.

As seeds start growing prick out into seed trays or pots as they get big enough to handle gripping seedlings by the leaves, trying not to handle the stem.

Rake out dead moss from the lawn, then mow grass but keep blade fairly high for the time being. Sow grass seed for new lawns or patching old grass.

Mulch around fruit trees and shrubs with manure or compost.

If you have a pond, keep removing blanket weed.

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Luke 22:24, John 13:3-17

Jesus and his disciples were celebrating the Passover with the special meal. The disciples were bickering again.

I'm most important because I've known him the longest

But I'm the oldest!

I've given up the most to follow him!



There was a reason why no-one wanted to be the least important - the roads were mud and everyone's feet got very dirty.

It was the job of the least important servant to wash everyone's feet...



The disciples didn't have a servant, and none of them wanted to do the feet washing...



Jesus took off his outer robe and tied a towel around his waist.



He filled a large bowl with water and started washing the disciples' feet.

Peter couldn't believe what he was seeing!



Are you really going to wash my feet?

You will understand later why I am doing this.



I can't ever let you serve me like this!

If you don't let me, you will no longer be my disciple



Then wash all of me!

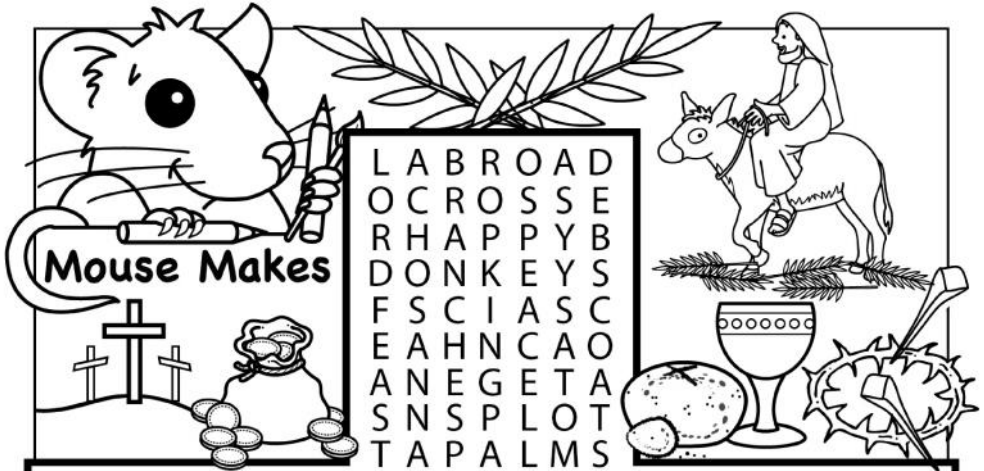
If you've had a bath, then you only need your feet washing!



Once Jesus had washed all their feet, he put his robe back on and sat down.



Do you understand why, your teacher, did this? I am setting you the example of how you are to serve each other. Do it, and God will bless you.



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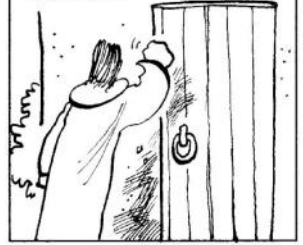
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Words and Actions

JESUS HAD MANY FRIENDS - AND HE OFTEN WENT WALKING WITH THEM.



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MARTHA WAS VERY PLEASED TO MEET WITH JESUS, AND SHE MADE HIM WELCOME



MARY WAS VERY EXCITED TOO AND WANTED TO LISTEN TO EVERYTHING JESUS HAD TO SAY



BUT MARTHA, WAS NOT VERY IMPRESSED WITH MARY! SHE THOUGHT HER SISTER SHOULD BE HARD AT WORK. NOT SITTING AROUND - JUST LISTENING



LORD, DON'T YOU CARE THAT MARY HAS LEFT ME TO DO ALL THE WORK BY MYSELF?!



MARTHA, YOU ARE WORRIED AND TROUBLED OVER SO MANY THINGS



JESUS TOLD MARTHA THAT THERE ARE FAR MORE IMPORTANT THINGS IN LIFE THAN JUST FUSSING OVER A CLEAN HOUSE!



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