

Feet



A series about steps

Lesson 4: Happy Feet (June 22, 2014)

Five Signs of First Love

- ❖ You are consumed with them
- ❖ You always hang with them
- ❖ You do anything for them
- ❖ You change for them
- ❖ You live for them

Relationship trumps accomplishment

2 Peter 1:5 For this very reason, make every effort to **add** to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; **6** and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, **godliness**; **7** and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love. *New International Version*

Step 5: Godliness: Greek – eusebeia, fully devoted, a Godward attitude

Matthew 22:36 “Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?” **37** Jesus replied: “ **‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’** **38** This is the first and greatest commandment. **39** And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ **40** All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.” *New International Version*

Church at Ephesus (Revelation 2:1-7)

- They were working for the cause of Christ
- They were enduring persecution
- They were reaching people
- They were living pure
- They were staying true to the Bible

·They were a church that seemed perfect with one flaw

- o They fell from their first love

Revelation 2:4 Yet I hold this against you: **You have forsaken your first love. 5** Remember the height from which you have fallen! Repent and **do the things you did at first**. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place. **New International Version**

Jesus told the Christians at Ephesus to: Remember, Repent, and Repeat

Relationships can be:

Side by side
Back to back
Face to face

Keeping our first love

1. Spend time with Jesus by reading the Bible
2. Spend time with Jesus by worshiping

Ephesians 5:17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. **18** Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit. **19** Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. **Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, 20** always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. **New International Version**

·This is when our feet will become the happiest

3. Spend time with Jesus by thinking about Him

Philippians 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! **New International Version**