Title: Pay It Forward
Text: John 13:1-15

Target: The concept of “Paying it Forward” begins with a willingness to make a sacrificial investment without concern for immediate gratification. However, what if I were to tell you that the return on your investment may not yield a return for YOU to actually count, carry or celebrate, but for SOMEONE else; would you still “Pay it Forward”?

PAY IT FORWARD is a challenge to us all to consider the legacy of Jesus in the following:

1. To be Faithful to the End:
   John 13:1
   The Faithfulness of Jesus to his Disciples was:
   • Through the Doubts
   • Through the Disappointments

2. To be Forgiving of your Enemies:
   John 13:2
   The Forgiveness of Jesus towards Judas was:
   • Remembering not Reviling
   • Releasing not Repaying

3. To be First to
   Encourage: John 13:3-5
   The words “laid aside” found in John 13:4 references two realities of the servitude of Jesus of His life on this earth: Humanity & Humility (Phil. 2:5-7).
   
   To be First to serve the disciples Jesus was teaching: Luke 22:24-30
   • To be first, you must be last
   • To be great, you must be least

4. To be Fearless about
   Eternity: John 13:6-10
   • To be “washed” is to be made “clean” not through baptism but through the atonement of Jesus (Titus 3:5).
   • Hear the words of Jesus said to Simon Peter to you today “You are Clean!”

5. To Follow his
   Example: John 13:12-15

Take-Away: Jesus paid it forward to the 12 disciples, who in turn paid it forward to their disciples, thus through the years what has been paid forward has reached us today, we have a responsibility; better yet, a choice to make. Will your life be an investment in others to pay it forward once more?