



**Group Leader Guide**  
**“Confident Humility/Storyline” - Jim Burgen**  
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**Group Creed**

We come together as a Group with the goal of Spiritual Formation; encouraging one another to become the same kind of person that Jesus is, so that we can live out every part of our lives inside of His Kingdom.

**// Bible References**

Philippians 2:5-11; Isaiah 55:8-9; John 13:2-5, 12-16; Matthew 26: 52-54; John 19:1-11; John 10:18

**// Message Summary**

This week, we were challenged to look at the relationship between *Anointed Authority* and *Confident Humility*. Lead Pastor Jim Burgen pointed out they go hand in hand. If you're going to have authority without being a tyrant, you need *Confident Humility*. If you're going to humbly serve, without abdicating the responsibilities of your leadership, you need *Anointed Authority*. A powerful example of what this looked like in the life of Jesus was when He washed the disciples' feet. When *Anointed Authority* and *Confident Humility* are used together in our lives, we begin building better stories and step into who God created us to be.

**// Biblical Context**



*Washing feet? Gross! Dirty feet are gross. PERIOD.* Have you ever gone to someone's house and they asked you to take your shoes off at the door? Or maybe you ask your group members to take their shoes off when they come into your home? This request is usually made because you don't want the "dust from the road" to be carried through your home. This is the same reason why foot washing is such a big deal in the Middle East. In Jesus day, people only wore sandals and walked everywhere. Typically, it

was job of the servant or slave to wash people's feet. In John 13:4-5, we see Jesus take the form of a servant by washing the disciples' feet; something that someone of His position and authority would have never done.

## // Community Questions

1. Have you ever been to someone's house who had a family tradition that made you feel special? Like you were the most important person in the room? What was that tradition?
2. Have you ever had someone wash your feet or have you washed someone else's feet? How did that make you feel?

## // Discussion Questions

1. What areas or relationships in your life do you struggle with humility?
2. Share what came to mind when Jim talked about living in confident humility. Did you resonate with it or did you struggle understanding how to walk in both confidence and humility? Why?
3. As you've worked on your "compelling vision" statement during this series, are there any courageous actions that you are feeling called to take or have taken in order to align with that vision even though you might be unsure of His plan? Has it worked the way you hoped?
4. Is there any area of your life where you continue to "power up" or "play the hero" rather than walking in confident humility? If so, is your end-goal simply to look powerful or good instead of relying on God?
5. Read John 13:12-16. Jesus demonstrates what it looks like to serve from a place of confident humility and then calls us to do the same for the people in our sphere of influence. What areas in your life do you have the opportunity to humble yourself and serve others like Jesus did?

## // Challenge Question

This week, talk to one person in your life that you trust and ask them, "What is an area in my life where I need to step-in with more confidence?" and "What is an area where I need to practice more humility?"