

Manure-Caked Man Feet Preview

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## PURPOSE

This script is a humorous look at the sincere tradition of washing each other's feet. Perfect for a Good Friday or Easter Sunday service, this script reminds us how dirty our lives are before Christ's redeeming work.

## SUMMARY

Two girls enter a foot-washing service. Mikayla, never having been to a service quite like this before is hesitant to participate. Eileen explains the intent and meaning behind the traditional service.

## CHARACTERS

Mikayla

Eileen

## KEY VERSES

John 13:1-17

## HOW TO

The girls should act as if they are entering the foyer of a church where a service has already begun. The audience can be the 'congregation.' When they speak too loud and disturb a member of the congregation, they should apologetically wave directly at the audience.

Eileen and Mikayla enter. They are cautious as if entering the back of a church where a service has already started.

MIKAYLA

Sorry I made you late.

EILEEN

Don't worry about it. I'm just glad you could come.

MIKAYLA

Has the service already started?

EILEEN

It looks like they're just opening up in prayer. Right on time.

Eileen stops and begins to take off her shoes. Their conversation from here on out is in a stage whisper so as not to disturb the 'service.'

MIKAYLA

What are you doing?

EILEEN

Taking off my shoes.

MIKAYLA

Why?

EILEEN

Because this is a Foot Washing Service.

MIKAYLA

A what?

EILEEN

A Foot Washing Service.

MIKAYLA

What?

EILEEN

(Louder)  
A Foot Washing Service.

MIKAYLA

Shhhh.

Both girls awkwardly wave at an unseen person who has obviously been disturbed and has turned to look at them.

MIKAYLA

What is that?

EILEEN

Everyone washes the feet of the person behind them.

MIKAYLA

Ewww. Gross. I thought this was a Good Friday Service.

EILEEN

It is.

MIKAYLA

Then why are we washing each other's feet?

EILEEN

Because that's what Jesus did.

Eileen has finished taking off her shoes and is waiting on Mikayla.

Girls begin to talk quickly and on top of each other. They slowly get louder.

EILEEN

You have to take off your shoes.

MIKAYLA

I am not taking off my shoes.

EILEEN

This is..

MIKAYLA

(Interrupting)

I heard what you said..

EILEEN

They can't wash your feet with your shoes..

MIKAYLA

That is the grossest thing I have...

They realize they have once again become too loud and awkwardly wave at a few unseen people once again.

EILEEN  
Just take them off.

MIKAYLA  
No way. I want to know why we're doing this.

EILEEN  
We do this every year.

MIKAYLA  
I don't.

EILEEN  
Jesus washed his disciple's feet.

MIKAYLA  
What? Why?

EILEEN  
Before the last supper.

MIKAYLA  
Right before they ate? Gross.

EILEEN  
It was an act of serving them.

MIKAYLA  
He was the Son of God, right? If God knows everything, then he knew exactly where all of those feet had been.

EILEEN  
I never thought about that.

MIKAYLA  
And this was 'olden' times. Just think about that. They were in sandals.

EILEEN  
Ewww

MIKAYLA  
Gross, right?

EILEEN  
Dirt, Mud...

MIKAYLA  
Manure..

EILEEN  
I can't think about this.

MIKAYLA

And these weren't cute, girly painted toes.

EILEEN

They were man toes.

MIKAYLA

Man toes.

EILEEN

Yuck.

MIKAYLA

Gross.

Pause. Both girls are lost in their imaginations. Facial expressions can reflect gross visuals.

MIKAYLA

So, why are we here again?

EILEEN

After Jesus washed his disciples' feet, he told them to go and do the same.

MIKAYLA

He just washed their feet. Why make them do it again?

EILEEN

No. He meant that just like he was being a servant and loving them, he wanted them to go and love others in the same way.

MIKAYLA

Once a year you wash each other's feet to remember to be servant-like?

EILEEN

Well, yeah...I guess.

MIKAYLA

Can't you just make cakes for each other?

EILEEN

I think we also do it to remember.

MIKAYLA

To remember what?

EILEEN

To remember that Jesus did it.

MIKAYLA

That Jesus washed gross, manure-caked, man feet.

EILEEN

To remember that we were and are still, dirty without Him.

MIKAYLA

Pause as she reflects.

(She then replies louder.)

Are you comparing me to man feet?

Once again the girls have been too loud, and awkwardly wave at an unseen person.

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