

## Jesus prayed (in John 17):

- for our **UNITY** as Christians
- for our SPIRITUAL PROTECTION
- for our **SPIRITUAL GROWTH**
- that we would EXPERIENCE GOD'S LOVE

Spiritual growth is progress / improvement in becoming more and more like Jesus.

- 1 John 2:6
- Philippians 2:4
- Ephesians 5:1

## Measuring our spiritual growth

Am I pursuing a deeper relationship with God?
 Am I centering my identity in Christ?
 Am I modeling my character after Christ?
 Am I growing in authentic community?
 Am I influencing others to Christ?

# <sup>17</sup> Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth. <sup>19</sup> And for their sake I consecrate (sanctify) Myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.



## We have already been made holy **POSITION**

- 1 Peter 2:9-10
- 1 Corinthians 6:11

We are being made holy

1 Thessalonians 4:3-8

• Hebrews 10:14

PROGRESSIVE

We <u>will one day be fully</u> holy **PERFECTION** 

• 1 John 3:2-3

For by a single offering Christ has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

#### Hebrews 10:14

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- 1. "Lord, what is my next step in my spiritual growth?"
- 2. "As I reflect on my spiritual progress, what is one area that I need to grow in?"