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- Jesus prayed all night (**Luke 6:12**) and often withdrew to “lonely places” to pray (**Luke 5:16**).
- He prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane (**Matthew 27:36-46**).
- He prayed for little children (**Matthew 9:13**) and for Peter’s faith to remain strong (**Luke 22:32**).
- He is still praying for us (**Hebrews 7:25**).
- **John 17**

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Jesus prayed for:

- Himself (v. 1-5)
- His current disciples (v. 6-19)
- His future disciples (v. 20-26)

Jesus prayed
for **unity**,
for **spiritual protection**,
for **spiritual growth**
that we would **experience God's love for us**

“Holy Father, keep them in Your name, which You have given Me, **that they may be one, even as we are one.**”

John 17:11

²⁰ “I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word,

John 17:20-23

²¹ that **they may all be one, just as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You**, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that You have sent Me.

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²² The glory that You have given Me I have given to them, that **they may be one even as we are one,**

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²³ I in them and You in Me, that **they may become perfectly one**, so that the world may know that You sent Me and loved them even as You loved Me.

John 17:20-23

What did Jesus mean by praying that we would be
“one just as He and His Father were one” and
that we would be “perfectly one”?

² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ **Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.**

Ephesians 4:2-3 (NIV)

Jesus: I'm praying for unity SO THAT the world...

...may **believe that You have sent Me.**

...may **know that You sent Me and loved them even as You loved Me.**

John 17:21, 23