

## In John 17 Jesus prayed:

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

<sup>23</sup> 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.

Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given Me, may be with Me where I am, to see My glory that You have given Me because You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

O righteous Father, even though the world does not know You, I know You, and these know that You have sent Me.

<sup>26</sup> I made known to them Your name, and I will continue to make it known that the love with which You have loved me may be in them, and I in them.

Nothing can separate us from God's love (Romans 8:35-39)

God is abounding in steadfast love! His love is everlasting! (Psalm 103:8-11; Jeremiah 31:3)

God demonstrates His love by sending Christ to die for our salvation! (Romans 5:8; 1 John 4:9-10)

Every blessing and good thing we experience is from God, rooted in His love for us. (James 1:17)

<sup>18</sup> I pray that may have power to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Ephesians 3:18-19

If Jesus prayed for these four things for us, shouldn't we be praying for the same things?

- 1. our UNITY
- 2. our SPIRITUAL PROTECTION
- 3. our SPIRITUAL GROWTH
- 4. for us to experience God's (amazing!) LOVE