



# JOHN

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO

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The High Priestly Prayer



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<sup>1</sup> When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup> since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup> And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.



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<sup>4</sup> I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup> And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed. <sup>6</sup> “I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.



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<sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. <sup>8</sup> For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup> I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours.





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<sup>10</sup> All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. <sup>11</sup> And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. <sup>12</sup> While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them,



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and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup> But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. <sup>14</sup> I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.



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<sup>15</sup> I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup> They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. <sup>17</sup> Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup> As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup> And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.



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<sup>20</sup> “I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup> 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. <sup>22</sup> The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, <sup>23</sup> I in them and you in me,





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that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. <sup>24</sup>

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. <sup>25</sup> O righteous Father, even though the




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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.”







All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out.

**John 6:37**





*“Eternal life turns on nothing more and nothing less than knowledge of the true God.*

*Eternal life is not so much everlasting life as personal knowledge of the Everlasting One.”*

- D.A Carson

*“The world can be prayed for only to the end that some who now belong to it might abandon it and join with others who have been chosen out of the world. There is nothing intrinsic to the ‘world’ itself, that could sanction prayers on its behalf.*

- D.A Carson

*To pray for the world, the created moral order in active rebellion against God, would be blasphemous; there is no hope for the world.*

*There is hope only for some who now constitute the world but who will cease to be the world and will join those of whom Jesus says 'for they are yours'."*

*- D.A Carson*

<sup>31</sup> Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, <sup>32</sup> but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.

**Luke 22:31-32**





We know that we are from God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one.

**1 John 5:19**



<sup>15</sup> Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. <sup>16</sup> For all that is in the world – the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life – is not from the Father but is from the world.

**1 John 2:15-16**



*“In practical terms, no-one can be ‘sanctified’  
or set apart for the Lord’s use without  
learning to think God’s thoughts after him,  
without learning to live in conformity with  
the ‘word’ he has graciously given.”*

- D.A Carson

*“...while the unity Jesus prays for us is not organizationally produced, it is equally not historically invisible. The world needs to see our unity.”*

- Bruce Milne



*“...Jesus, in these final moments, as the last grains of sand trickle through the hourglass before his rendezvous with darkness, gazes across the rolling aeons of the future and anticipates the embrace of his beloved bride in the glory that is to be.”*

- Bruce Milne

...If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.

**John 14:23**



In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him.

**1 John 4:9**

