

Title: Simply Jesus: Jesus' Prayer: Part 1

Scripture: John 17:1-19

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Bible Version: NKJV

BOTTOM LINE: Jesus' life set an example for us on how to bring glory

to the Father.

Vs. 1

Father, The hour has come - First we can recognize that Jesus prayed to the Father. The time was at hand.

Jesus was not wanting this hour to come to glorify Himself. This hour would ultimately glorify the Father.

It was through the cross that He brought glory to the Father.-Chuck Smith

Genuine prayer often reveals a person's innermost being. John 17 is a unique opportunity to see the nature and heart of Jesus. -Guzik

Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You - This statement speaks to the rich relationship between Jesus and the Father. It also speaks to the divine plan that had been set into motion.

The cross would show several things.

- 1. It would show how Jesus was submitted to the Father's plan.
- 2. It would glorify Jesus (the Son) by demonstrating His obedience to the Father.
- 3. It would offer us eternal life.

Vs. 2-3

You have given Him authority over all flesh...give eternal life - Jesus states that He has authority over all of us, and He gives us eternal life.

And this is eternal life, that they may know You - Eternal life comes by simply knowing the Father. You can't know the Father unless you come to accept the work of Jesus (the Son).

Know - Ginosko, does not speak to an intellectual knowledge but an experiential knowledge.

Vs. 4

I have glorified You on the earth -Jesus did not wait until He was on the cross to glorify the Father. He gloried the Father with His life.

I have finished the work-Jesus spoke as if the work of the cross was already complete.

Vs. 5

Glorify Me together with Yourself-Jesus again equates Himself with God the Father.

Before the world was-Jesus knew of and was aware of His pre-existence. Jesus knew that He and the Father shared glory in eternity past, currently share it in the present and would forever share it in the future.

Vs. 6

I have manifested Your name to the men- Jesus spent the past three years investing in the lives of the disciples.

Believers should be able manifest the name and nature of God to a watching world.-Guzik

Vs. 7

They have known that all things- Jesus testifies that the disciples knew that Jesus was connected to His Father.

Jesus lived in His life in such a way that others saw His submission to the Father.

Vs. 8

They have believed that You sent me- Jesus indicates that these men believe that the Father sent the Son.

Vs. 9

I pray for them- Jesus specifically had the disciples in mind here.

Vs. 10

All Mine are Yours...- Jesus speaks to how believers belong to Him and the Father.

I am glorified in them- Jesus doesn't want to simply be an occasional part of your life.

Vs. 11-12

That they may be as one as We are- So that they may be unified. As one. Unity of heart, spirit, and purpose.

Vs. 13-16

They may have My joy fulfilled in themselves- In addition to unity of heart, spirit and purpose, Jesus also prayed for them to be filled with joy.

You can be a believer and also lead a joyless life.

Vs. 14

They are not of the world- Jesus has given them His world. Their identity is in Christ now

Vs. 15

You should keep them from the evil one- Jesus did not pray that we would be removed or taken away from the battle, but rather that we would be protected.

Being kept from the evil one does not mean you will not face hardship or difficulties.

Vs. 16-17

Sanctify them by Your truth- Jesus knew that the truth would allow these disciples to continue to be sanctified.

Vs. 18-19

The more truth you believe, the more sanctified you will be. The operation of truth upon the mind is to separate a man from the world unto the service of God.-Spurgeon

The greatest thing you could ever accomplish in your life is to bring glory to God.

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BOTTOM LINE: Jesus' life set an example for us on how to bring glory to the Father.

- 1. What does this study reveal to you about God?
- 2. What does this study reveal to you about yourself?
- 3. Based on this, what changes do you need to make?
- 4. What is your prayer for today?



DISCUSS.

- 1. What is prayer?
- 2. Contrast the differences between a genuine prayer and a nongenuine prayer.
- 3. Vs. 11-12 speak of unity. How can believers today be unified in Christ?
- 4. In Vs. 14, Jesus says they are not of this world. What does this mean? How are believers different from non believers?
- 5. Vs. 16-17 speak of the truth sanctifying us. What does that mean? How does God's word do this in our life practically?

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Anytime you read God's word you have to put things into perspective. You also have to realize that the terms, not words, have meanings. As a group re-read the scriptures that was studied. Try a the Amplified Version and compare that to the NJKV, NIV, ESV, or NASB. Pick a few words and have a group member look that word up on <u>blueletterbible.com</u> or with their app.



Parents & Kids TAKEHOME

DATE: October 29th, 2017

Scripture: Bread and Fish for Everyone

Matthew 14:13-21; Mark 6:30-44; Luke 9:10-17; John 6:1-14

Take Home Questions:

- 1. What did the little boy have? (Five loaves and two fish)
- 2. Did the little boy keep his food to himself or did he give it all to Jesus? (He gave it all to Jesus.)
- 3. When the boy gave all of his food to Jesus, what happened? (It was enough to feed everyone!)

Jesus did way more with the little boy's lunch than the boy could have done with it on his own. When we give what we have to God, He blesses it and gives back way more than we gave up!

Memory Verse: "God is able to do far more than we could ever ask or imagine" - Eph. 3:20

