

Big Idea:

Jesus expresses His desire for our Unity in Faith (17:21-23), our Unity in Future Glory (17:24), and our Unity in Love (17:25-26).

²⁰ "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message,

"(God) established you according to my gospel" Romans 16:25

1. Jesus expresses His desire for our unity in faith (17:21-23).

²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— ²³ I in them and you in me— so that they may be brought to complete unity.

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²³ Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

2. Jesus expresses His desire for our unity in future Glory (17:24)

²⁴ "Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.

When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory" Colossians 3:4

3. Jesus expresses His desire for our unity in Love (17:25-26)

²⁵ "Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I have made you known to them and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them."

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Third, to show His love means giving out.