



## MESSAGE REVIEW

The current climate of our world is a perfect storm for division and disunity. At the very end of His earthly life, Jesus prayed for unity and oneness in the Church. He knew the mission of the Church was far too critical to get caught up in secondary issues. As we love each other, we show the love of Jesus to a world that desperately needs Him.

## WARM UP QUESTION

What would you do if you knew you only had 24 hours to live?

**1** **Read John 17:11-19.** Jesus closed the Last Supper with His disciples by praying aloud to His heavenly Father. List out all the things He prays for His disciples in these verses.

**2** Why does He pray for their protection (v. 11)? Jesus knew the mission of the Church was critical. They were carrying the message of hope found in Him! What environment does He know He's sending the disciples into (vv. 14-16)? Why would their unity be important?

**3** The disciples were still young in their faith. What is going to do the sanctifying work in them to help them grow (vv. 17-19)? How have you seen evidence of this sanctifying work in your own life?

**4** **Read John 17:20-23.** Who does Jesus begin praying for after He prays for the disciples? How does it make you feel to know that Jesus prayed for you then and prays for you now (see Romans 8:34)? What do verses 21 and 23 indicate about why Jesus prayed specifically that we would be unified? How does a non-believing world see the hope of Jesus in a unified Church?

**5** Do you pray and long for unity in the Church? What situations most tempt you to enter into destructive arguments that might be a trap of the enemy? How do you balance knowing when to enter in and when not to? How can you be a peace maker and show the love of Christ in the midst of hostility?

## RESPOND

What have you learned about God from His Word? How is He asking you to apply it to your life? When will you apply it?

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