

# The Final Messages of Jesus

## PART 6 HANDOUT

11.13.22

**John 17:1-5** 1 After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:

“Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. 2 For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. 3 Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. 4 I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. 5 And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

- Eternal life is not just something we receive after death but a new life we can experience today.
- **There is always room for us to deepen our relationship with God.**
- The purpose of the church is to glorify God.
  - We exist to bring glory to God and enjoy Him forever.
  - We glorify God by our declaration and our demonstration.

**John 17:20-21** 20 “My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, 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.

- Last thing that Jesus prays is that they will become perfectly one...even as We are perfectly One.

**Phil 2:1-4** 1 Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, 2 then make my joy complete by being **like-minded**, having the **same love**, being **one in spirit** and of **one mind**. 3 Do **nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit**. Rather, **in humility value others above yourselves**, 4 not looking to your own interests but each of you to the **interests of the others**.

- What does the world around us see when they look at the church today?

**John 17:21** 21that 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.

**KEY:** The way we interact with each other, and the way that we are in the Father, abiding in Him - **our oneness, is supposed to be the proof that Jesus was the Messiah.**

**John 17:22-23** 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. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

- Jesus tells us what will actually work - perfectly one - the world will believe.

**John 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.

- God desires relationship with us

**John 17:26** 26I 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.”

- Jesus ministry to us did not stop at the cross - He would continue to make the name of the Father known, because He wants this love to be in this.

**John 13:34-35** 34 “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

- This is what will change the world - LOVE ONE ANOTHER - proof that you are my disciple

**KEY:** The believability of the God we serve depends on the love we have for one another.

**The Point:** Eternal life is knowing God, causing me to grow in my desire for Him, and to build unity with other Christians, so that the world might believe in Jesus.