

Overview: John 17

- How would you like to listen in on one of Jesus most intimate prayers?
- Read John 17.
- What keywords do you first notice? Highlight or circle them.
- What phrases catch your attention? Underline them.
- Identify and Discuss the things for which Jesus prays?

Insights:

- Jesus prays first for himself, then his immediate disciples and the those who would believe because of the disciples.
- Jesus defines “eternal life” in very specific and unique terms. (17:3)
- Jesus confirms a “new” name for God in his prayers and gives that name to us all as a powerful connection to God.
- Jesus reveals God’s name and connects that to a message.

Explore:

- Why do you think John Calvin referred to the Bible as “Baby Talk” from God’s perspective? Discuss.
- Discuss the depth and scope of Jesus authority?
- Is the idea of a Christian Hedonist a contradiction?
- How do you feel about God bringing Glory to Himself?
- What is the name of God Jesus revealed to the disciples?
- What are some possible issues that could be caused by referring to God in such a manner?
- How can those issues with God’s name as Jesus revealed be resolved?
- Discuss briefly the idea of “freedom”. Was Jesus a “free” man?
- Consider Jesus revealed name of God again, look up Bible references that describe or example God’s Love.

Application:

Discuss Simple Daily Applications

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Notes:

John 17:1-3 NLT After saying all these things, Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son so he can give glory back to you. 2 For you have given him authority over everyone. He gives eternal life to each one you have given him. 3 And this is the way to have eternal life--to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, the one you sent to earth.

John 17:6, 11-12, 26 NLT "I have revealed you to the ones you gave me from this world. They were always yours. You gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ... 11 Now I am departing from the world; they are staying in this world, but I am coming to you. Holy Father, you have given me your name; now protect them by the power of your name so that they will be united just as we are. 12 During my time here, I protected them by the power of the name you gave me. I guarded them so that not one was lost, except the one headed for destruction, as the Scriptures foretold. ... 26 I have revealed you to them, and I will continue to do so. Then your love for me will be in them, and I will be in them."

Fury! Prelude Part 1

The Glory of God

Authority of Jesus (2)
It's Scope

Philippians 2:9-11
1 Cor 15:25; Rev 1:18

It's Depth
Eternal Life (3)

Our Problem

The Name of God

A New Name (6, 11)

Revelation (6, 11)

Protected (12, 15)

Proverbs 18:10

Do You Know?

Jesus as your Life!

God as your Father!