



The Gospel of John Knowing the Father through the Son

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Jesus Prays for the Disciples

John 17:1–26

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Theme: In the climax to John’s Farewell Discourse, Jesus turns to the Father in prayer. He prays first that the Father may be glorified through the glorification of the Son. He then prays for His disciples, that they would be protected while in the world. Finally, He prays for the faith, unity and witness of all believers for generations to come.

Outline

1. Jesus Prays to Be Glorified (17:1–5)

- a. Prayer for glorification, v. 1
- b. The purpose of the hour: Eternal life, v. 2
- c. The significance of eternal life: Knowing the Father through the Son, v. 3
- d. The result: glory to God for the work of salvation, vv. 4–5

2. Jesus Prays for His Disciples (17:6–19)

a. Jesus' work in the disciples' life, vv. 6–10

b. Prayer for their protection, vv. 11–16

c. Prayer for their sanctification, vv. 17–19

3. Jesus Prays for All Believers (17:20–26)

a. Prayer for unity, vv. 20–21

b. Prayer for their witness, vv. 22–23

c. Prayer for their vision, vv. 24–26

Takeaway: The secret to success in the Christian life is staying connected to the Father through the Son and living a life of love and unity with our fellow believers.

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John 18:1–27