

Prayer Concerns:**Jesus Prays for God's Glory**

John 17:1-5

The high priestly prayer of Jesus

Vs. 1-5 – Jesus prays for God's _____.

Vs. 6-16 – Jesus prays for God's _____.

Vs. 17-5 – Jesus prays for God's _____.

Vs. 25-26 – Jesus prays for God's _____.

The meaning of glory

Glorify (*doxozo*) - To bring honor and praise to someone because of their character, nature, or attributes.

Glory (*doxa*) - A state of high honor;
to be clothed in splendor or light

The desires of Jesus' heart:

1. **Bringing _____ to His Father in _____.** [vs.1]

Is my greatest desire to bring honor and praise to God?

2. **Blessing _____ with _____ with God.** [vs.2-3]

Am I seeking to know God intimately?

3. **Completing the _____ God _____.** [vs.4]

Am I persevering in my appointed work?

4. **Receiving his _____.** [vs.5]

Am I living a life worthy of my promised reward?

Personal Study/Growth Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started:

1. What are the top three things on your bucket list?

Digging Deeper:

Read John 17:1-5

1. Review the meaning of glory. How was Jesus glorified through his death? How did the death of Jesus bring glory to God?
2. Read Matthew 26:39-46. What are the similarities of the prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane and the prayer in John's gospel which both took place on the night of his betrayal? What are the differences? How do both reflect the heart of Jesus as Son of Man and Son of God?
3. Jesus says that eternal life means knowing God and Jesus. To know (*gínosko*) implies "living contact rather than imparted information". D.A. Carson said, "Eternal life is not so much everlasting life as personal knowledge of the Everlasting One." In what way might this definition enhance the way that we view eternal life? How are you currently growing in your "knowing" of God and Jesus?

4. Though Jesus did not complete every work while on earth, he completed the work He was given to do. Commentator Bruce Milne says, "*A similar limitation rests upon every disciple. We are not called to reach the whole world or to minister to every need. There is a specific work for us to do, and in finding and doing that specific thing to the limits of our powers lies our fulfilment, and our peace.*" How do you discover the "work" God has for you to do? What clarity has God given you in the work he has called you to while on earth that is unique to you? (Ephesians 2:10)
5. Read Philippians 2:6-11, Revelation 1:13-16, 19:11-16. How do these verses describe the glorified Christ? What emotions bubble up as you read these passages? How does Christ's glorification help you remain faithful and persevere to obtain the rewards promised for you in heaven?

Taking it Home:

1. Review the personal questions from the study notes under the section, "The concerns of Jesus' heart". Take some time to reflect on or journal about each one. What is God saying to you today?