

Many Rooms

The 'Way of Life' Series

Connecting with others around the presence of Jesus, & growing spiritually
by understanding and applying God's Word, together.

Week 13: John 17:1-19

PREPARE and PRAY

Breathe deeply, settle in, and prepare to meet with God. Then **invite God to speak** to you through His Word.

READ and LISTEN

Slowly read this week's Scripture several times. As you read, **listen to the Holy Spirit** with your heart and mind.

SUMMARIZE and REFLECT

On this page or in a journal, **summarize the core teaching** of these verses. **Ask God for insight** as you reflect on and answer the following questions.

1. What is one thing Jesus's words and/or actions reveal about God?
2. In your own words, what does Jesus say about who a disciple is and what disciples do?

DIG and DISCOVER

Take a closer look at God's truth. Let these questions and insights **deepen your understanding** as you prepare to apply God's word.

"There is no voice which has ever been heard, either in heaven or in earth, more exalted, more holy, more fruitful, more sublime, than the prayer offered up by the Son to God Himself." - Philipp Melancthon

1. To "glorify" means to magnify and celebrate God by attributing to Him all the beauty, majesty, honor, and praise His holiness deserves.
 - o Given that definition, talk about what Jesus is asking the Father for in verse 1.
 - o Then describe the glory Jesus had before the world began and the glory His Father gave Him when He returned to heaven? (See John 1:1-3; Phil 2:6-11; Hebrews 1:1-3)
2. How does Jesus define "eternal life" in verse 3?
 - o If this definition is different than what you were taught, describe the differences and why they matter.
 - o How might Jesus's definition help us surrender to His authority and finish the work he gave his Church?
3. As Jesus affirmed truths about who he is and what he would accomplish, it strengthened him to face his betrayal, arrest, and crucifixion.
 - o How can your affirmation of who Jesus is strengthen you for life's trials and difficulties?
4. As Jesus prays for himself, what are his requests of the Father?
5. What do you learn about prayer from these verses? Of those, which is the most important for you today?
6. List all the things Jesus declares he has done for the disciples and all the things he prays for the disciples (vv.6-19). Discuss the significance and the encouragement that we get from each point.
7. Why do you think Jesus takes time toward the end of His life to pray for His disciples?
8. How do you pray for those close to you? Read over John 17:6-19, and write down phrases you can pray for those around you.
9. Jesus didn't come as a philosopher, inventor, discoverer, or conqueror; instead, He came to teach, to live among us, to suffer for truth and righteousness and to rescue men.
 - o How does the way Jesus came into the world shape how he sends his Church – **us** – into our families, church, communities, and world around us? (vs 18)
10. What does "sanctify" mean from this passage? (See Deuteronomy 7:6; Romans 4:22-25; 12:1-2; Ephesians 4:20-24; Hebrews 12:10; 2 Peter 3:11; Jude 24)
11. Who do you have in your life that is helping you in your sanctification process?

RESPOND and COMMIT

Ask God how he wants you to **respond to His Word** today and this week. **Commit to one step** of action and **share it** with someone you know.