

BIBLE LESSONS ON JOHN JOHN 17

Chapter 17 is known as “Christ’s High Priestly Prayer”. One of the last things Jesus does is pray, both for Himself, and for His people.

Read John 17:1-5

In verse one, what is Jesus’ prayer? _____

In verse two, what authority does Jesus indicate the Father has given Him? _____

What does Jesus say, in verse three, is eternal life? _____

According to verse four, what did Jesus do on earth? _____

What is Jesus’ prayer in verse five? _____

Read John 17:6-19

How are the disciples described in verses six and seven? _____

How does Jesus define believers in verse 10? _____

According to verse 12, what did Jesus do for His own while He was in the world? _____

What, according to verse 13, did Jesus do so that believers may have His joy in them? _____

What does Jesus say, in verse 14, that He gave to the disciples? _____

What is Jesus’ prayer for the disciples in verse 15? _____

According to verse 17, what is Truth? _____

In verse 18, what did Jesus say He did, with reference to the disciples?

Verse 19 indicates believers are sanctified (meaning set apart) by _____

Read John 17:20-26

Who does Jesus pray for in verse 20? _____

Note: We believe through the apostles' word. We trace our faith back to all THE TRUTH that was given through them (cf. John 16:13).

What is Jesus' prayer, in verse 21, concerning all believers? _____

Note: The N.T. goes on to show that Jesus' prayer was answered, in the fact that all believers are now spiritually shown to be ONE in Christ (cf. 1 Cor. 12:13, Gal. 3:28, Eph. 2:14-16, 4:4-6).

What is Christ's prayer for believers, in verse 24? _____

To what end did Christ declare God's Name, in verse 26? _____

Key Lessons from John 17

1. Christ's prayer for Himself essentially involved glorifying the Father in His saving work, and sharing in His glory.
2. Christ's prayer for believers was essentially to the end that He might be glorified in them, and that they might share in His glory.
3. God is glorified in relationships. The relationship of the Father and the Son is reflected in the relationship of His people to both God and one another. Love, joy, and unity define these relationships.

How should we as believers function, in response to Christ's high priestly prayer? _____

Please turn to the next page to do a SELF-CHECK of your answers. If you have further questions, email them to doswald1@cox.net.

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In verse one, what is Jesus' prayer? **That the Father glorify the Son to the end that the Son may also glorify the Father.**

In verse two, what authority does Jesus indicate the Father has given Him?

The Father has given Jesus authority over all people to give eternal life to all those the Father has given Jesus.

What does Jesus say, in verse three, is eternal life? **Eternal life is to know the only true God in the persons of the Father and the Son.**

According to verse four, what did Jesus do on earth? **He glorified the Father and finished the work the Father gave Him to do.**

What is Jesus' prayer in verse five? **That Jesus would be glorified with the Father, as Jesus shared in the Father's glory before the world.**

How are the disciples described, in verses six and seven? **As those given to Christ and who have kept God's Word.**

How does Jesus define believers in verse 10? **They belong to both Jesus and the Father, and Jesus is glorified in them.**

According to verse 12, what did Jesus do for His own, while He was in the world? **He kept them so that none of them was lost, except for Judas, who was the son of perdition.**

What, according to verse 13, did Jesus do so that believers may have His joy in them? **He spoke these things in the world.**

What does Jesus say, in verse 14, that He gave to the disciples? **God's Word.**

What is Jesus' prayer for the disciples in verse 15? **That God the Father would keep them from the evil one.**

According to verse 17, what is Truth? **God's Word is truth.**

In verse 18, what did Jesus say He did, with reference to the disciples? **He sent them into the world, just as the Father sent Him.**

Verse 19 indicates believers are sanctified (meaning set apart) by **the truth.**

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Who does Jesus pray for in verse 20? **For those who will believe in Him, because of the apostles' word.**

What is Jesus' prayer, in verse 21, concerning all believers? **That believers might be one in God, to the end that the world might believe the Father sent Jesus.**

What is Christ's prayer for believers, in verse 24? **That they may be with Him where He is, and behold His glory.**

To what end did Christ declare God's Name, in verse 26? **To the end that God's love may be in them.**