

**John 17:11-16**

*A Prayer for Spiritual Protection*

**INTRO:** It is a dangerous world and a unique time to be a faithful Christ-follower!

Note: 1 Peter 4:12; 5:8. 1 John 5:19. 2 Corinthians 4:4. 2 Timothy 3:12. Acts 14:21-22.

**John 17:11-19 Sermon Outline**

- 1) **The Recipients of Jesus' (Second) Petition**
- 2) **The Reasons for Jesus' Petition** (*points 1-2 were highlighted in the April 30<sup>th</sup> sermon*)
- 3) **The Priorities of Jesus' Petition** (*today's sermon*)
- 4) **The Purpose(s) of Jesus' Petition** (*next week's sermon*).

*From what or from whom do Christ's disciples need spiritual protection from?*

A) We need spiritual protection \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

B) We need spiritual protection from \_\_\_\_\_

**Jesus' Parting Prayer for Spiritual Protection Should Impact Our Lives in 3 Ways**

1) **This prayer should give us** \_\_\_\_\_.

*(John 14:27; John 10:28-30)*

2) **This prayer should** \_\_\_\_\_.

*(Psalm 27; 28:7 121; 1 Timothy 6:12)*

3) **This prayer should** \_\_\_\_\_.

*(John 16:1, 33; Psalm 23; 17:11-16)*

**For Further Reflection/Application:** *Lord help us to be effectually doers of the Word!*

What is the most important thing(s) you heard today? What do you want to study further as a result of today's message?

Provide a few examples of events happening today (in America or around the world) that illustrate how much Christians/the Church need spiritual protection.

What are some of your favorite hymns/praise songs that underscore how God watches out for/protects His people?

Note 1 Peter 5:8-9; 1 John 5:9; 2 Corinthians 4:4; Hebrews 10:32-39; 2 Timothy 3:12; 1 Peter 4:12.

From whom and from what do we need spiritual protection from (John 17:9-16; John 15:18-21)? In what ways do you have a target on your back (because of your Christian beliefs, values, priorities etc.)?

What are some occasions and/or ways the Lord protected you from spiritual danger/harm?

Why should the Lord's prayer for protection (and His many promises) give us great peace? See also John 14:27; 10:28-30. How can we pray for fellow pilgrims/Christian soldiers?

What did the preacher mean when he said the LORD will never "pull a David on us."  
Note 2 Samuel 11:14-17.

How should the Lord's prayer for spiritual protection embolden God's elect? Psalm 27:1; 121.

In what ways should today's prayer/sermon greatly encourage us?

How else can I/should I apply today's passage to my Christian walk?

*Five Reasons why Jesus' high priesthood is superior to the Aaronic and Levitical Priesthood.*  
(4/16/23 sermon)

- 1) Jesus' high priesthood is vastly superior because He enters a vastly better sanctuary. (*Hebrews 9*)
- 2) Jesus' priesthood is superior because He's presently and permanently SEATED at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven." (*Hebrews 8:1-2; 10:11f*)
- 3) Jesus' priesthood is superior because He's an eternal priest who lives forever! (*Hebrews 7:23-25*)
- 4) Jesus' High Priesthood is vastly superior because He alone is sinless, undefiled, and perfectly righteous!
- 5) Jesus' Priesthood is Vastly Superior is because He alone offers Himself as a perfect, all-sufficient sacrifice to atone for the sins of His people! (*Hebrews 7:23-35; 9:24-28; 10:1-18; 1 Peter 3:18*)

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