

# Jesus' High Priestly Prayer – Part 1

Sermon 78 in the Matthew Series (an excursion into John's Gospel)

## Introduction to John 17

### A. Final Instructions to Anxious Disciples -- John 13:31-35

1. Now is the Son of Man is Glorified v. 31-32

#### Isaiah 49:3-6

"And He said to me, you *are* My servant, O Israel, In whom I will be glorified.'

<sup>4</sup> Then I said, 'I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and in vain; Yet surely my just reward *is* with the LORD, And my work with my God.' "

<sup>5</sup> "And now the LORD says, Who formed Me from the womb *to be* His Servant, To bring Jacob back to Him, So that Israel is <sup>□</sup>gathered to Him (For I shall be glorious in the eyes of the LORD, And My God shall be My strength),

<sup>6</sup> Indeed He says, 'It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob, And to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also give You as a light to the Gentiles, That You should be My salvation to the ends of the earth.' "

2. I am Going where you cannot Come (yet) John 13:33-38

### B. Let not your Heart be Troubled -- John 14:1-6

1. Heart v. 1

**John 12:27** – Jesus as a man was not an unfeeling stoic – but the remedy was not to give into the “unsettled or stirred up feeling”.

**John 13:21** – Here he is described as “troubled in His spirit”.

2. Our Eternal Home v. 2

## **I. Jesus Prays for Himself -- John 17:1-5**

The Prayer divides into 3 parts

1. Jesus Prays for himself 1-5
2. Jesus Prays for His Disciples 6-19
3. Jesus Prays for Us 20-26

A. The first thing to ask – Is this prayer a model prayer for us?

B. He lifted up His eyes to Heaven. v. 1

C. Limited Atonement v. 2

D. How does anyone come to know God? v. 3

E. Finished the Work v. 4

Hendricksen says – “historically” speaking there was still work to do.

F. His Reward v. 5

The perfect man becomes the perfect Savior.

The perfect man becomes the perfect mediator between God and man.

The second Adam returns to us – all and more – than the first Adam lost.

And -- the eternal God – takes up His place in glory – for all eternity – and is the redeemer of a numberless host – which no man can number.