

JOHN 17 Three preliminary observations

- 1. According to John 18:1 and 14:31, if you keep talking with friends when you intend to go, you're Christlike.
- 2. According to John 17:1, it's okay to pray with your eyes open.
- 3. John 17 is "the Lord's prayer." Matthew 6:9-13 may better be called "the disciple's prayer."

Scripture Reading

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THE MAIN POINT OF JOHN 17: *"FATHER, GLORIFY ME."*

Jesus prays that God would show how awesome he is, that his eleven disciples would persevere in believing and declaring how awesome he is, and that the future generations of the church would see how awesome he is.

"FATHER, GLORIFY ME."

- Jesus wants God the Father to show—at the crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension—just how awesome he is (verses 1-5).
- 2. Jesus wants God the Father to protect his eleven disciples so they'll keep believing and joyfully proclaiming how awesome he is in a hostile world (verses 6-19).
- 3. Jesus wants God the Father to make the future generations of disciples see his glory forever (verses 20-26).

JESUS'S PRAYER WAS ANSWERED, IS BEING ANSWERED, AND WILL BE ANSWERED.

- 1. If you are human, you are made by God for glory.
- 2. You are under the authority of Jesus, whether you like it or not.
- 3. If you've committed your life to Jesus, you're forever secure.
- 4. Don't let present opposition unsettle you.