

GOD'S HEART *Revealed*

POURED OUT...

... in *Prayer* for Us!

JOHN 17

Jesus prays for ...

I. The _____ of God

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you ... I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed." vv. 1, 4-5

▶▶ MAKE *Christ's life motto* _____ LIFE MOTTO!

II. The _____ life of believers

"... since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent." vv. 2-3

▶▶ SET YOUR LIFE ON _____ *God.*

III. The work of the _____ in believers

"Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth." v. 17

▶▶ _____ *Scripture!*



DEVOTIONAL & HOME GROUP STUDY

1. What role does prayer play in your life?

"See the word those? (v. 20) That's where your name belongs. If you have believed in Jesus Christ, He prayed for you.

... I can think of few experiences more humbling and encouraging than hearing the prayers of another on my behalf.

- I feel understood. I know that someone empathizes with my struggle and takes it seriously enough to unite his spirit with mine in seeking God's intervention.
I receive confidence. Hearing the intercession of another gives me reasonable assurance that my own prayers are consistent with God's values.
I grow wiser. The prayer of another offers perspectives I had not considered.
I find courage. Someone with more objectivity can pray with greater confidence in the power and goodness of God, which is always infectious.
I gain perspective. People who aren't caught up in my suffering are better able to see my struggle from an eternal perspective, and that is always helpful.

Now imagine hearing the Son of God approach His Father on your behalf. Imagine the encouragement, confidence, wisdom, courage and perspective you would gain by hearing Him intercede for you. A perfect prayer from the lips of the perfect man. What a marvelous gift the Lord gave His disciples on the eve of His torment! Their preparation for ministry was complete; having consecrated them for ministry, Jesus turned His prayer toward the generations of believers these eleven disciples had been charged to lead."

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2. Read John chapter 17. Go through this prayer and circle the things Jesus prays about for His disciples and all believers. How do these requests compare to the things He prays for Himself in verses 1-5?

3. In what ways does this chapter reveal Jesus' burden? How is this prayer similar to the Lord's Prayer in Matthew 6?

4. What does this prayer teach you about how to pray today?

5. How does prayer cause you to look to God for success rather than to the world?

FOR THIS WEEK

Journaling in John 17

Last week's Scripture memorized JOHN 16:33

"I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

JOURNAL John 17

Write out a prayer in response to this prayer of Jesus, inviting God to work on your mind and heart. Be honest with Him about your desires and fears.

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

Here's a glimpse at what you need to know for this week at Christ Chapel. If you'd like to find out even more, visit www.ccbcfamily.org/events. That's a great spot to see what's coming up!

ANGEL TREE IS HERE! VISIT THEIR KIOSK IN THE GREAT ROOM TODAY. Angel Tree Ministry, a program of Prison Fellowship, brings the gospel and Christmas gifts to children who have one or more parents in prison. If you'd like to provide gifts for a child this Christmas and help provide a pathway for strengthening their relationship with their parent, visit www.ccbcfamily.org/events to get started. This year Angel Tree is all digital, so if you have questions about the process stop by the kiosk in the Great Room or reach out to Wes at WesleyT@christchapelbc.org.

THIS TUESDAY IS THE FINAL DAY TO BUY BRUNCH TICKETS. The Women's Christmas Brunch is almost here and we can't wait to celebrate with you! Get ready for all of the joys that come with celebrating the birth of Christ on Saturday, Dec. 4: friends, beautiful tables, great food and an encouraging Christmas message. This event is made for friends and family to enjoy with you, so invite someone who needs to hear about God's love. Visit the kiosk in the Great Room or www.ccbcfamily.org/events to buy your tickets by this Tuesday, Nov. 30.

MAKE PLANS FOR NEXT WEEKEND'S CHRISTMAS CANTATA. A beautiful service full of music and Scripture, the Christmas Cantata is an opportunity to start the Christmas season with the entire Christ Chapel family. If you aren't able to join us in person, make plans to worship at the Internet Campus. Services will be Saturday, Dec. 4 at 5 and 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 5 at 9 and 11 a.m. at live.ccbcfamily.org.

SINGLE MOMS, JOIN OASIS FOR A HOLIDAY GET-TOGETHER ON FRIDAY, DEC. 10. Oasis is a monthly gathering created for single moms to relax in an encouraging, supportive community. Learn more about their December get-together by emailing Kristin at KristinH@christchapelbc.org this week.

LET'S SERVE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON! There are a lot of ways you can share God's love and hope this holiday season. Be a part of the Christmas Caroling Blitz on Friday, Dec. 10, Secret Agent Christmas on Saturday, Dec. 18 or Christmas Outreach at Center of Hope on Saturday, Dec. 18. You can head to www.ccbcfamily.org/holidayserve to see all the opportunities now.

HEY PARENTS, REGISTER YOUR MIDDLE SCHOOLER FOR WINTER CAMP. Happening the weekend of Feb. 11-13, Winter Camp is a retreat for students in Grades 6-8 to talk about relationships, integrity and sexuality. It's a fun weekend and safe place for honest conversations about finding our identity in Jesus. Head to www.ccbcfamily.org/events to learn more and register your student.

LOOKING FOR THE CONNECT CARD? Scan the QR code here to fill out a Connect Card. Our team will reach out this week to answer your questions and tell you more about Christ Chapel.

IF YOU'D LIKE TO GIVE AN OFFERING TODAY, YOU CAN DO SO STRAIGHT FROM YOUR PHONE. The process is quick and easy—just text CCBCFW to 833-422-7200 to get started.

