

Prayer for Unity

- John 17 -

20 "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, 21 that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. 22 I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— 23 I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

24 "Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.

25 "Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. 26 I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them."

Entering the Story

Have you ever had the wind knocked out of you?

In Luke 9 Jesus and his disciples - Peter, James, and John go up a mountain where Jesus is transfigured.

A voice from within the cloud says, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen, listen to Him."

At Jesus' arrest in Mark 14 the disciples all fled.

Learning to Pray

3 Keys to remember when praying:

1. Address God

Matthew 6:9

2. Be Specific

John 17:20

3. Do it in Jesus Name

John 14:13

John 17

"Now this is eternal life: that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent."

Eschatology is the study of "end" or final judgement, according to Jesus' prayer our eschatological belief is built on relationship with the Father, just like Jesus is in relationship with the Father.

Jesus' prayer is for the unity of the church and the way to complete unity is by adopting a lifestyle of praying together as a church.

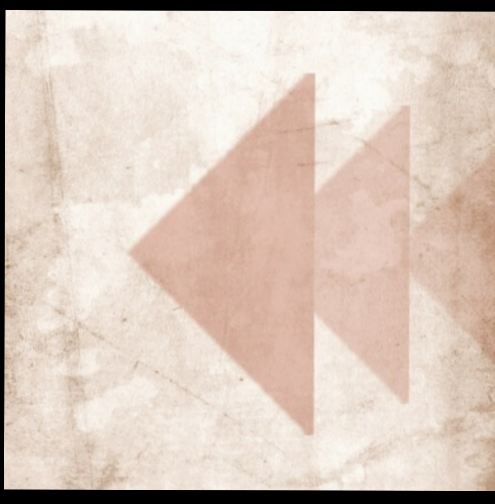
Look thru a lens of Jesus'



Death



Burial



Resurrection