

Jesus' Secrets About the Church

John 17:20-26

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1. Jesus prayed for a **unified witness** – So that the world may believe (verse 21)
 - a. We share the same **Truth**
 - b. We share the same **Savior**
 - c. We share the same **Father**
 - d. We share the same **glory**
 - e. We share the same **nature**
 - f. We share the same **spirit**
 - g. We share the same **mission**
 - h. We share the same **example**
 - i. We will share the **same heaven!**

2. Jesus prayed for **unifying love** – So that the world may know! (verse 23)
 - a. The world doesn't see God but it does **see us.**
 - b. What the world sees in us is what it will believe **about God.**

3. Jesus prayed for us to be **united with Him** – So that we could know his full glory!
 - a. We know believers go to heaven because of the **price** that Jesus paid
 - i. 1 Thessalonians 5:9-10 For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10](#) who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.
 - b. We know believers go to heaven because of the **promises** he made
 - i. John 14:1-4 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. [2](#) In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. [3](#) And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

- c. We know believers go to heaven because of the **prayer** he prayed.
 - i. John 17:24 "Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

The present World Crisis: They don't know the Father or the Son so they don't **have eternal life**.

The present answer to the world Crisis: The Love of God, the glory of God and that word of God are all present in the **children of God!** So we must let the glory out!