

## **OUR LORD'S HIGH PRIESTLY PRAYER Part 1**

### **Glory to The Father and The Son**

#### **John 17:1-5**

#### **The Setting (17:1a)**

These things Jesus spoke = referring to the "Farewell Discourse" beginning in 13:31 through 16:33.

- At the conclusion of the prayer, Jesus and His disciples will go to the garden of Gethsemane.

The hour has come = an obvious reference to His death and resurrection.

- Up until "passion week" the hour was spoken of as "not yet come." See John 7:30 & 8:20
- Compare with John 12:23-24 & 13:1; see also Mark 14:32-42

This hour that has now come fulfilled the many prophecies recorded in the Old Testament. Examples:

- Beginning with the bruising of the serpent's head – Gen. 3:15 (John 12:31)
- Jesus fulfilled the picture of the sacrificial lamb at the Passover – Ex. 12:5-13, 46
- The prophecy of Psalm 22 – 22:1, 5-8, 14-18
- The suffering Servant of Isaiah 52:13-53:12
- The Messiah to be "cut off" – Daniel 9:25-26

#### **Glory to The Father (17:1b)**

The Son may glorify You

- Glorify (doxazo) = to ascribe glory and honor.
  - The work of Christ on the cross was the fulfillment of the Father's redemptive plan. – Acts 2:22-24, Rom. 3:21-26, Eph. 1:3-6
  - Throughout His earthly ministry Jesus gave glory to the Father.  
Example: John 5:17-24

## **Glory to The Son (17:1-5)**

Glory to the Son for who He is:

- Jesus is God (5) = Heb. 1:8, John 1:1-2
  - The Word became flesh – compare John 1:14 with Phil. 2:6-11
- Jesus has authority over all flesh (2) = He is the creator and sustainer of the universe. – John 1:3, Col. 1:15-17, Heb. 1:3
- Jesus imparts eternal life (2-3) = John 1:4
  - The definition of eternal life (17:3) = is a perfect knowledge of God and Christ. Compare with 1Cor. 13:9-12

Glory to The Son for what He did (4)

- Having accomplished = Jesus is looking past the crucifixion and resurrection to the fulfillment of God's plan. – Acts 2:24-36
- Compare Acts 3:13-18 with Isaiah 52:13 & 53:11b-12

It is the Father's will that Jesus be glorified – John 12:27-28

**Closing thought:** Rev. 5:9-14