

Sermon: Sharing in the Glory and the Love of Christ  
Scripture: John 17:1-26 (text 24-26)

Introduction: Some general instructions on prayer

- A. Christ makes requests agreeable to the Father and will receive that which was promised.
  - B. Christ acts on that for which He prays.
  - C. Christ prays to the Father and so do we (vs. 16, 5a, 11b, 24a, 25a, Matt. 6).
  - D. Christ's special concern is those who belong to God, His own, Christians (Gal. 6:10).
- I. He prays that His own be with Him where He is and that they might see His glory (vs. 24, 4, 11a; 14:1-3; Matt. 25:34; Ps. 84:1-2; Ps. 73:25-28).

If we are those who would be where Christ is, then we ought to be living as those who very much want Christ to be where we are.

- II. He acknowledges that He has made the Father's name known to those who belong to Him, so that the Father's love would be in them and Christ in them (vs. 25,26; Eph. 1:4-5; Ps. 9:10).