



February 28, 2016 | John 17:1-5

John 17 is one of the most remarkable chapters in the Bible. We will spend three weeks here. It has been titled by some commentators as “The High Priestly Prayer of Jesus” because we hear Him pray for Himself, for the disciples and for us. . Let’s listen in as Jesus prays.

Read John 17:1-5.

The Time Has Come | John 17:1

Jesus was confident in His schedule because He knew His life mission, His purpose for being here. (See also John 12:23; John 13:1, 31-32.)

[Q] How does being confident of *your* life mission affect how you spend your time?

[Q] How would you finish this sentence: “The time has come for me to...”

Time to Glorify the Father | John 17:1, 4-5

To glorify means to magnify or show magnificence.

[Q] Why does Jesus ask to be glorified? How does He aim both to be glorified and to glorify the Father in what He has come to accomplish on earth?

[Q] What does verse 5 reveal about Jesus?

Read 2 Corinthians 3:18.

[Q] To what extent is God’s glory the top of your agenda on a daily basis? How would seeing more of who He is and what He has done help us reflect Him more?

[Q] What God-glorifying opportunities could the B.L.E.S.S. ideas of sharing your faith bring?

BEGIN WITH PRAYER

LISTEN AND BE AWARE OF OTHERS' NEEDS

EAT WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS

SERVE OTHERS IN BIG OR SMALL WAYS

SHARE YOUR STORY

Time for Eternal Life | John 17:2-3

[Q] Who gave Jesus authority? What is the extent of His authority? Why was He granted this authority?

[Q] What is eternal life according to Jesus in verse 3?

[Q] Read 1 John 5:11-13, 20. How do these verses add to the definition of eternal life?

[Q] How is this idea different from merely living forever?

[Q] How do you currently seek to know Him better? In what ways would you like to know Him better?

Pray

Next week: John 17:6-26

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