

# Jesus' Prayer

## Lesson 18

## John 17:6-19

### Opener

Last week we began learning about Jesus' prayer before he was arrested and crucified. The first thing that Jesus prayed was for us to have eternal life which is to know God and Jesus. Today we are going to continue reading his prayer.

### Scripture

**John 17: 6-8**

**I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. For I gave them the words you gave me, and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me.**

### Discussion

**Ask: From what we read here, whose were the disciples?**

The disciples were God's.

**Ask: To whom did God give the disciples?**

God gave the disciples to Jesus.

**Ask: What is the reason that God gave them to Jesus?**

In order to reveal who God is to the disciples.

What these verses teach us is the special relationship between Jesus and God. Here we see that God and Jesus are one. Everything what the Father has is the Son's and what the Son has is the Father's. Often we forget that Jesus is all-powerful God. It is easy to think that they are different and that Jesus is under God. But by reading these verses we understand that Jesus is the same as God.

**Ask: By revealing to the disciples who God is, what are the things that they know?**

They know that what Jesus has come from the Father. They know the words of God and they accept them. They understand without a doubt that Jesus is of God and that God sent him here.

In other words, they have accepted Christ as their personal Lord and Savior. In order to accept Christ, you need to believe that the Father and the Son are one and that God sent Jesus here to take away our sin and to take our punishment. Also, we need to accept his word which means to repent of our sins and live a new life in Christ.

#### **John 17: 9-12**

**I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name - the name you gave me - so that they may be one as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled.**

**Ask: Since Jesus was not praying for the world, does this mean that he not love the world any longer?**

No, his love remains the same, but he knows that in a short time, he is going to return to the Father and is going to leave the disciples in the world. His worry is not for those who still do not believe, but for those who already put their faith in him. He said that when he was here, he protected them, but he is not more going to be with them in the same way so he asked for God to protect them.

#### **John 17: 13-19**

**Now I return to you, but I say these things while, still I am in the world, so that they have my joy in fullness. I have given your word to them, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, as I am not either of the world. I do not request to you that you clear them of the world, but that you protect them of the malignant one. They are not of the world, as I am not it either. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is the truth. As you sent me to the world, I also sent them to the world. and by them I sanctify same me, so that also they are sanctified in the truth.**

**Ask: What happened to the disciples when they accepted to Christ and the words of God?**

The world hated to them. No longer was of the world.

The same thing happens to us when we gave to our lives to Christ. We are different because we have the Spirit of God dwelling in us. But still we are going to live in the world. For that reason, Jesus requests protection because the devil is going to try to prevent us to follow the Gentleman. Jesús says he sends us to the world to be the light of the world like him was the light. When we followed it, we are sanctified that it means "to make separated".

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**They have accepted to Christ like its Salvador like the disciples (to think that Jesus is**

**God and that God commanded to him here to save to us, and to accept its words)? What thing they need the protection of God? In what area of its life the devil is touching you?**

**What type of light are you to demas in the world? a light that embosoms God to them.**