

Jesus Prays for Himself – John 17:1-5

Jesus asks the Father to glorify Him so that He can glorify the Father (verses 1 & 5).

Jesus is glorified by the authority He has been given from the Father over all humanity; this is an authority to give eternal life (verses 2-3).

Jesus has glorified the Father through His obedience on earth and now He asks the Father to glorify Him in heaven again (verses 4-5).

Questions for Discussion & Application

1. What was surprising, confusing, or helpful from this passage?
2. As Jesus sees that the “hour” of His suffering has come, what does He pray for? What does it mean for Him to be “glorified” by the Father?
3. Jesus’ hope of being glorified by the Father helps Him to face the suffering and shame of the cross. How does our hope of sharing in Christ’s victory and glory in the future encourage us to endure suffering and shame now in the present?
4. Jesus has authority to give eternal life; what is eternal life? How is your life different and better because you possess this eternal life?
5. What truth from this passage can you share with someone else this week? Who will you seek to share this truth with?

Memory Verse: John 17:3

Read for Next Sunday: John 17:6-26