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JESUS' PRAYERS

“Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:6–7)

Objectives

Knowledge of God's Will	Jesus prays for our sakes so that we may keep His word and become united in Him.
Knowledge of God	Jesus Christ is our intercessor.
Good Work	Glorify God by letting others see Jesus in you. Draw closer to God through prayer.

The High Priestly Prayer (Jn 17)

A. Jesus Prays for Himself and for His Relationship with His Father (vv. 1–5)

1. **Glorify the Father:** Jesus' life was dedicated solely to glorifying God through calling His chosen people and teaching them about the word.
2. **Eternal life through Jesus Christ:** In order to know God personally, we must establish a relationship with Jesus Christ by being baptized in accordance with God's word and being imitators of Christ.

B. Jesus Prays for His Disciples (v. 6–19)

1. **Keeping God's word:** To be sanctified by the truth as Jesus prayed, His disciples first had to receive the word, then accept the word, and lastly, obey the word.
2. **In the world, but not of the world:** We are sojourners and pilgrims who are citizens of heaven, not earth. As such, we need to pursue things of heaven, not of earth, so that we can act as the light of the world and guide others to God.

C. Jesus Prays for the Unity of His Church (vv. 20–26)

Be united in Christ: Jesus prays that we be one with Him, just as He and God are one. To be united in Christ, we must serve the Father by obeying and following His words, and also serve one another in love.

Jesus Prays in the Garden of Gethsemane (Mt 26:36–46)

D. Jesus Prays in the Garden of Gethsemane

1. **Pray to know God's will and receive strength:** God is the source of our strength, so it is only natural that by submitting to His will, we in turn will receive strength.
2. **Watch and pray:** Jesus tells us that we must be vigilant against the temptations of the world, and in order to do so, prayer is required.

Life Application

1. **Glorify God with Our Life:** To glorify God we must first understand who we are. Only then will we be able to worship Him in Spirit and in truth.
2. **Draw Near to God Through Prayer:** God has blessed us with the ability to pour out our hearts before Him, but we must pray with persistence and in accordance with His will.

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Lesson 8 Homework Assignment

Jesus' Prayers

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

Memory Verse (Philippians 4:6–7):

1. What does it mean to “be anxious for nothing”? How can we do this and obtain peace?
2. What are the three things Jesus prayed for in John 17?
3. How did Jesus glorify God while on this world?
4. What are the three steps to being sanctified by the truth? Explain each step in detail.
5. In what way are we “sojourners and pilgrims”? How should this affect the way we act?
6. Do you think you have an intimate relationship with God? Why or why not? How can you improve your relationship with Him?