

THE HIGH PRIESTLY PRAYER

John 17.15 // August 8, 2021

JESUS' FINAL STOP

On his last stop before His arrest, Jesus prays, presumably at the Temple, and stands before God as the Faithful and True High Priest, as well as to present Himself as the sacrificial Lamb of God. The angels long watched godly men come and go, but never once did anyone even come close to being able to satisfy the righteous requirements of the Law in order to gain forgiveness for sins. But here at Jesus' final stop, He presents Himself both as High Priest and the acceptable Lamb.

**The glory of God will most extravagantly be made known
through the utter humiliation of God.**

THE GLORY OF CHRIST

If the angels are astounded by what they see in the story and work of salvation, we ought to also be forever amazed at what God has done. It is one thing to be amazed at the power of God: His wrath, justice, and even His ability to be raised from the dead. However, it is God's humility and self-sacrificing love towards sinful enemies that makes this story and plan of salvation most improbable.

**The resurrection of Jesus Christ
is the most important event of human history.**

**But the incarnation of Jesus Christ is the most implausible.
That an almighty and holy God would become a baby for the
sake of sinners is, ultimately, wonderfully beyond our
comprehension.**

THIS IS ETERNAL LIFE

Jesus reveals to us in His prayer how eternal life is attained. It is only by knowing God Almighty, and knowing Him, Jesus Christ. Salvation is not gained through morality, good works, or religion, nor is it negated by our failures or our faults.

Jesus does *not* say

*"You have given Me authority over all flesh, to give eternal life
to all who have strong faith."*

No...He says

*You have given Me authority over all flesh, to give eternal life
to all whom You have given to Me.*



NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Romans 11:33

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **John 17.1-5**. What stands out in this passage and from the sermon on Sunday?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

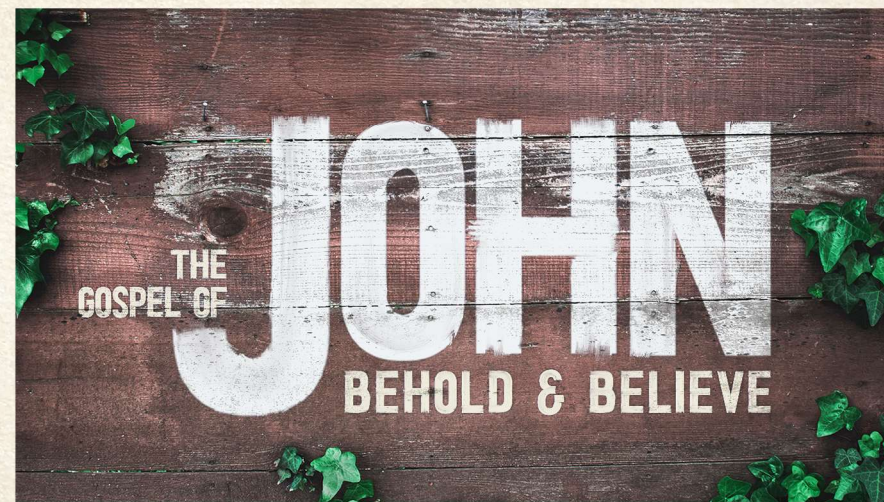
Jesus prays so much of the Good News in His prayer to His Father. What do His opening words give you strength and hope and confidence in your salvation, and help you to look with peace and amazement towards your future heavenly hope?

Your Life Mission

God the Father has given many to His Son to save. And we don't know who those people are! We are saved to be sent into this mission field and join Him in the mission He came and accomplished. He purchased the salvation of many, and He lets us partake in the "fishing" of those people. Which conversations are upcoming that you need prayer and wisdom for as you take part in the Great Commission of our Savior?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love.

- **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself** (Matthew 6.9, 10)
 - Always begin your time of prayer focusing on God's goodness, who He is, and what He has done for us. Pray truths from this week's text.
- **Repent and Confess** (Matthew 6.12)
 - Real repentance begins where blame-shifting stops. Your circumstances don't need to change, your heart needs to change. Confess any particular sin that prevents you from walking out what God calls us to in the text, or any other particular sin you are wanting to fight. Ask Him to help you have strength to repent and run towards Him.
- **Ask for Provision** (Matthew 6.11-13)
 - Ask God for new perspective and for the things that you need. Once our hearts are fixed on Him, we can ask Him to help us with our needs. When your heart is begin filled with the Gospel first, your asking will be far more in line with God's desires and will. Ask Him to work in the relationships in your life that you are hoping to share God's love with.
- **Yield with Thanksgiving** (Matthew 6.10)
 - End your prayer by giving God thanks for His faithfulness and ask Him to help you trust and yield to His work and ways.



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