



PRAY LIKE JESUS
JOHN 17:20-26
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Like Jesus, we should pray with an outward focus

I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.
- John 17:20-26

Pray for a Holy Spirit-given passion to reach the unsaved

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- John 17:20

Pray for:

- Future generations of the church to be reached.
- Missionaries and everyday believers to continue to share the gospel.
- For our witness to continue to bear fruit long after we are gone.

Pray for the church to be one

that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. - John 17:21

When the Body of Christ is working together:

- Needs are being met
- There was no needy persons among them – Acts 4:34

When the Body of Christ is working together:

- The community and the world take notice
- By this everyone will know you are my disciples if you love one another. - John 13:35



Unity makes room in the church for two things:

- **Unity makes room for God to be magnified**
 - The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one - John 17:22
- **Unity makes room God's love to transform the world**
 - I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. - John 17:23

God's love reflects His character

God is love. - 1 John 4:8

God's love transforms sinners to saints

For God so loved the world He gave His only son that whoever believes in Him would not perish but have everlasting life. - John 3:16

God's love compels us to love others

We love because he first loved us. - 1 John 4:19

One Heart, One Vision, One Decision.

Pray for a glorious reunion

Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.
- John 17:24

In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. - John 14:2-3

Pray for the love of Jesus to be made known to all

O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them. - John 17:25-26