



PRAY LIKE JESUS
JOHN 17:6-10
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I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸ For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹ I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them.
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Jesus' prayer acknowledged God's character

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No one has ever seen God; God the only Son, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.
- John 1:18

Jesus' prayer recognized the authority of God's word

For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. - John 17:8

What happens to a church when God's people become rooted in the word?

- Spiritual Stability – Psalm 1:3
- Purpose and perspective – Psalm 119
- Missional Living – Acts 2:42

Jesus' prayer demonstrated His love for God's people

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But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, yet one body. ²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²² On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, ²⁴ which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, ²⁵ that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶ If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together. ²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. - 1 Corinthians 12:18-27

The Body of Christ is meant to:

- Serve the needy
- Share the gospel
- Shine light into darkness

For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. - Romans 12:4-5

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