The Good News that John Wrote

...that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.

John 20.31

Life in the Spirit

Objectives of the Class

- To behold in our hearts the glory of Christ
- To participate more deeply in life in the Spirit
- To become more conformed to His image
- To pray for and encourage one another

Prayer Before Reading Scripture

Shine within our hearts, loving Master, the pure light of Your divine knowledge and open the eyes of our minds that we may comprehend the message of Your Gospel. Instill in us also reverence for Your blessed commandments, so that having conquered all sinful desires, we may pursue a spiritual life, thinking and doing all those things that are pleasing to You. For You, Christ our God, are the light of our souls and bodies, and to You we give glory together with Your Father who is without beginning and Your all holy, good, and life giving Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

John 17.1-8

Outline of John 13-17

- 1. The Last Discourse (13.1-17.26)
 - 1. Making God Known (13.1-38)
 - 2. Departure (14.1-31)
 - 3. To Abide, to Love, and to Be Hated (15.1-16.3)
 - 4. Departure (16.4-33)
 - 5. Making God Known: Jesus' Final Prayer (17.1-26)

Outline of John 17

- Jesus prays for His glorification (vv. 1-8)
- 2. Jesus prays for His disciples (vv.9-19)
- 3. Jesus prays for those who will believe in Him through the testimony of the disciples (vv. 20-26)

After Jesus finished saying this, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your Son, so that the Son may give glory to you.

For you gave him authority over all people, so that he might give eternal life to all those you gave him.

And eternal life means to know you, the only true God, and to know Jesus Christ, whom you sent.

I have shown your glory on earth; I have finished the work you gave me to do.

Father! Give me glory in your presence now, the same glory I had with you before the world was made.

Revelation 5.13

And I heard every creature in heaven, on earth, in the world below, and in the sea-all living beings in the universe—and they were singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb, be praise and honor, glory and might, forever and ever!"

John 17.6a-b

"I have made you known to those you gave me out of the world. They belonged to you, and you gave them to me.

John 17.6c-7

They have obeyed your word, and now they know that everything you gave me comes from you.

I gave them the message that you gave me, and they received it; they know that it is true that I came from you, and they believe that you sent me.

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Questions? Comments?