

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 17.20-26

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

1. 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)

John 17.20

“I pray not only for them, but also for those who believe in me because of their message.

John 17.21

I pray that they may all be one. Father! May they be in us, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they be one, so that the world will believe that you sent me.

John 17.22

I gave them the same glory
you gave me, so that they may
be one, just as you and I are
one:

John 17.23

I in them and you in me, so that they may be completely one, in order that the world may know that you sent me and that you love them as you love me.

John 17.24

“Father! You have given them to me, and I want them to be with me where I am, so that they may see my glory, the glory you gave me; for you loved me before the world was made.

John 17.25

Righteous Father! The world does not know you, but I know you, and these know that you sent me.

John 17.26

I made you known to them,
and I will continue to do so, in
order that the love you have
for me may be in them, and so
that I also may be in them.”

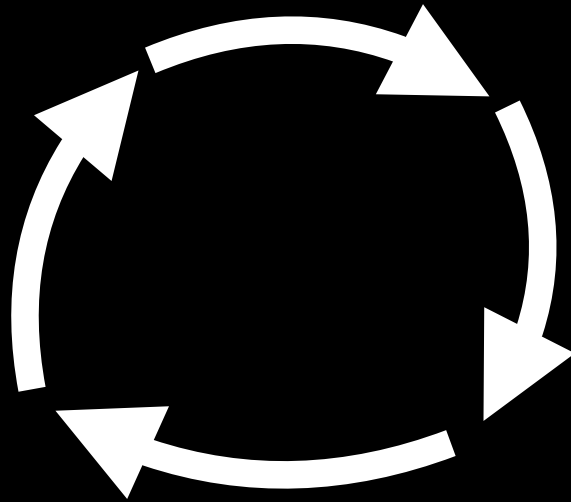
Ever-increasing Union with God

Knowledge of God

God in us

Love for God

Obedience to God



1 John 4.7-8

Dear friends, let us love one another, because love comes from God. Whoever loves is a child of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.

1 John 4.9

And God showed his love for us by sending his only Son into the world, so that we might have life through him.

1 John 4.10

This is what love is: it is not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the means by which our sins are forgiven.

1 John 4.11-12

Dear friends, if this is how God loved us, then we should love one another. No one has ever seen God, but if we love one another, God lives in union with us, and his love is made perfect in us.

Questions?
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