

## JOHN 17 Study (NLT) “GLORY, GLORY!” June 27, 2010

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**MAIN POINT:** Jesus is leaving this world. He asks the Father to take care of his friends.

17:1 **JESUS PRAYS FOR HIMSELF:** Before a spiritual person embarks on a day of life or into a new season in his or her life, they pray. It is the Father who opens the way. It is the Holy Spirit who prays for us about the things in our hearts. So when Jesus finished \_\_\_\_\_ what he wanted to say to his disciples, he \_\_\_\_\_ up to heaven and prayed.

• 17:2-5 **GLORY-THE CLOTHING OF GOD:** The \_\_\_\_\_ has now come for the central activity of God to save this creation to happen. Jesus is looking beyond the time of his unspeakable suffering and sacrifice to the finishing of our salvation. He prays for himself. He asks the Father to \_\_\_\_\_ him. Like all of us, he wants to be clothed properly for the Father's presence in the days to come. The Father will benefit from this—because people will look at the glory of the resurrected Son of God and know that the Father has done this and give him praise. The Father will get glory \_\_\_\_\_. Jesus considers that the Father has given back to mankind through him what Adam squandered at the beginning. Adam was made master of the creation (Genesis 1:28) and ended up giving his authority to the Devil. Jesus declares now that the Father has given to him \_\_\_\_\_ over everyone in all the \_\_\_\_\_. He has brought them back to the tree of life. He is able to give \_\_\_\_\_ life to every person the Father has \_\_\_\_\_ him. This access to the tree of life again comes from coming to \_\_\_\_\_ the Father as the first people did when they walked in the garden with him and acknowledged him as the \_\_\_\_\_ true God. Jesus left his glory aside, taking on our fallen humanity when he was incarnated through the virgin Mary. Now he has \_\_\_\_\_ everything the Father \_\_\_\_\_ him to do. He will be obedient unto death. He asks the Father to \_\_\_\_\_ him back into the glory they shared \_\_\_\_\_ the world began.

**GLORY.** The Greek word is DOXA, which means “to clothe in splendor, praise, honor, magnify.” The Hebrew word for glory is KABOB. It refers to something that has great substance or weight because of its great value. Another Hebrew word for glory is SHEKINAH which speaks of light bursting forth from the body or presence of God and men and women made in his image—having glory in them too. We will shine like blazing lights some day. Paul speaks of the day when Jesus will dwell in light unapproachable. I Timothy 6:15-16

**KNOW.** The Amplified Bible translates know as “to perceive, recognize, become acquainted with, understand.” In the Hebrew, “know” is used to speak of the intimacy of a husband and wife who have sexual intimacy. The Lord is more concerned about connecting with us than our being good.

• 17:6- 8 **PEOPLE OF THE WORD:** Jesus now talks to the Father about the \_\_\_\_\_ that God \_\_\_\_\_ in his keeping—men and women who were in and of the \_\_\_\_\_ that is perishing. God foreknew before the creation these people were \_\_\_\_\_. These people would give up their own words and the words of the world and would hear and \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_. Jesus says that he has been faithful in his ministry to them. They know that \_\_\_\_\_ is a gift from the Father and that Jesus himself is a \_\_\_\_\_ from the Father.

**WORD.** The Greek here is RHEMA, which means the word of God as applied to our living for specific situations and relationships. The word does no good unless it is lived. LOGOS is the written word.

• 17:9-12 **KEEP THEM SAFE:** Jesus is not praying for the \_\_\_\_\_. The world consists of people of every time and place who have made up their mind to reject God. Prayer is wasted on them. Jesus is praying for those the Father has \_\_\_\_\_ to him who will be like his bride – his consort—destined for the throne in eternity. The redeemed of the Lord belonged to the \_\_\_\_\_ and he gave them to Jesus. Jesus gave them back to the Father and now the Father has \_\_\_\_\_ them back to Jesus. They are his \_\_\_\_\_. His concern is that the Father will \_\_\_\_\_ them and care for them when he \_\_\_\_\_ the world and goes back to the Father. The big concern is that the children will fight when he's gone. He asks the Father to keep them \_\_\_\_\_, keep them as one. He reminds the Father that he has kept them \_\_\_\_\_. He guards them and all who are his to this day-- so no \_\_\_\_\_ is lost. One was lost, the one who was determined to head for \_\_\_\_\_ as the \_\_\_\_\_ foretold, although Jesus called him friend to the end.

• 17:13-19 **THE LIFE OF THE BELIEVER IN THIS WORLD:** Jesus told these beloved souls \_\_\_\_\_ wonderful things so that they would be filled with his \_\_\_\_\_. He gave them the Father's \_\_\_\_\_ -- the secrets of creation – revelation of the Father. Because they have now become people of a different word than the world's. The world \_\_\_\_\_ them. It recognizes that they do not \_\_\_\_\_ to them, even as Jesus did not. Jesus knows that until all who are saved who will be saved (2 Peter 3:9) and he returns, his people have to remain on earth. So he says that he is not asking the Father to take them \_\_\_\_\_ of the world but to keep them \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_, who will be unrelenting in his efforts to corrupt and destroy them. Their defense against the devil is being made \_\_\_\_\_. Holiness and purity of heart will keep them seeing God. (Hebrews 13:14 Matthew 5:9) It is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Word which they embrace and obey which will keep them safe. They have the same purpose in the in-between time as Jesus—so Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ them into the world even as the Father sent \_\_\_\_\_ into the world. These beloved disciples and friends of Jesus are bonded to him, so Jesus says, “I give \_\_\_\_\_ entirely to you so they also might be \_\_\_\_\_ yours.”

**PERFECT.** The Greek word is TELEIOS, which means “having attained the end or purpose, complete, perfect.” Jesus said, “It is finished” (telios) on the cross. *John 19:30*

**HOLY.** The Greek word is AGIOS. It is the same word as Holy. It means to be dedicated to God, holy, sacred, made pure, perfect, worthy of approaching God and living with Him. This transformation is the work of the Holy Spirit. In our union with Christ the old, unholy nature is crucified. We are already new in our innermost person. *Romans 6:4-11 Galatians 2:20, 2 Corinthians 5:17* Our part in this is to YIELD to the Holy Spirit who is remodeling us from the inside out. *Romans 6:12*

• 17:20-26 **ALL WHO WILL EVER BELIEVE:** Jesus now prays for all of us who will \_\_\_\_\_ believe in him because of the \_\_\_\_\_ of these first disciples. The goal is that they would all be \_\_\_\_\_, a loving family even as the \_\_\_\_\_ and Jesus are

one. Their oneness, their love for each other, will cause the world to believe that God \_\_\_\_\_ him. (John 13:35) Jesus has imparted to them his glory – they are lights to the world. They are being \_\_\_\_\_ in love. The world containing those who will be saved will know that the Father sent Jesus because of them and that the Father loves \_\_\_\_\_ as much as he loves his son. He asks the Father that they all would be together \_\_\_\_\_ each other's glory. Jesus rejoices that these disciples will keep on \_\_\_\_\_ God's love.

**ONE.** The Greek word EN-it, meaning "the space within which something is found, nearness, in the presence of...among... of the whole with which the parts are closely joined (as being part of the Body of Christ. *Romans 12, I Corinthians 12*  
Unity is created by avoiding resentments.

**What Does This Scripture Say To You?** \_\_\_\_\_