



Jesus Prays

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TODAY'S READING: John 17

Before heading to His death, Jesus stops and prays for Himself, His friends and all of us who would believe in Him in the future.

If you want to know what someone thinks about God, listen to their prayers. Do they ask God only for wealth and possessions, or for others' salvation? Do they appeal for God's intervention like they would present a business proposal or as a child petitioning their father?

In John 17, we are allowed to eavesdrop on one of Jesus' prayers. Although it is only moments before He will be betrayed, beaten and crucified, Jesus takes time to pray on behalf of His disciples. He shows His heartfelt concern, not only for the men He has taught for years but for those who would later hear His message, including you.

The intimacy and familiarity with which Jesus speaks to God is evident. For eternity, even before "the foundation of the world," Jesus and God the Father have always been. You have received eternal life and restoration to a loving and intimate relationship with God through Jesus, if you believe and repent of your sin. Because of this, everything about our lives should help point people to Jesus.

Does your life help point other people to Jesus? What is the impact of your prayer life?

PRAYER: Lord, let my prayers reflect my heart for You. Help me take everything to You through prayer. Help me follow You and listen to You through prayer. Help me remember all You have done for me and praise Your name.

TOMORROW'S READING: John 18

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