

# The Prayer of Jesus



**John 17**



“Father,..... glorify your Son that  
your Son may glorify you.”



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6 ¶ “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.

11 ¶ And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

12 While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled.

13 But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. 14 I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

15 I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one.





## Can We Stop Terror-by-Truck?

Nice, France

By ALI H. SOUFAN JULY 15, 2016, NYT







**Gunman opens fire on crowd at candlelight vigil in  
West Baltimore**

July 10, 2016 Baltimore Sun

What else is it you want? What else do you want? You got my son ... and you're still shooting at us because we have a candlelight vigil? When will it end?

— Doreen Scofield



Jesus prays for the protection of His disciples.

- The Esteemed
- The Enemy
- The Essentials



## 1) The Esteemed

“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.” Vs 6





- “ they have kept your word.” Vs 6
- “..they know that everything that you have given me is from you.” Vs 7
- “...they have received them (your words) and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.” Vs 8
- “I am glorified in them.” Vs 10



.. these disciples were not measured by the strength of their character or the magnitude of their faith but by the character of their Savior, the object of their faith.”



If you, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared.

Psalm 130:3,4



“Yours they were, and you gave them to me, ..... I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine,”

vs6, 9, 10





"They will be mine," says the LORD Almighty, "in the day when I make up my treasured possession. I will spare them, just as in compassion a man spares his son who serves him.

Mal 3:17



## 2) The Enemy vs 11-15

“Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one..... do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one.” Vs 11, 15



“the devil (διάβολος diabolos dee-ab’-ol-os- false accuser- slanderer),... He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

John 8:44



“Demon,” or “devil” are spiritual beings, corrupt and hostile to both God and man. The demons were fallen angels, deathless creatures serving Satan. Having joined Satan’s rebellion, they were cast out of heaven to await final judgment. Their minds are permanently set to oppose God, goodness, truth, the kingdom of Christ, and the welfare of human beings, and they have real if limited power and freedom of movement, though in Calvin’s picturesque phrase they drag their chains wherever they go and can never hope to overcome God.”

J I Packer





The reason the Son of God appeared was to  
destroy the devil's work.

1 John 3:8



### 3) The Essentials

“Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have **kept your word.**” Vs 6

“Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, **that they may be one**, even as we are one.” vs 11

“But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, **that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.**” Vs 13





**TRUTH**



**UNITY**



**JOY**



**Prayer**



**“Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete.”**

**John 16:24**





# How Shall We Fight for Joy?

John Piper

1. Realize that authentic joy in God is a gift.
2. Realize that joy must be fought for relentlessly.
3. Resolve to attack all known sin in your life.
4. Learn the secret of gutsy guilt - how to fight like a justified sinner.
5. Realize that the battle is primarily a fight to see God for who he is.
6. Meditate on the Word of God day and night.
7. Pray earnestly and continually for open heart-eyes and an inclination for God.
8. Learn to preach to yourself rather than listen to yourself.



When a Christian shuns fellowship with other Christians, the devil smiles. When he stops studying the Bible, the devil laughs. When he stops praying, the devil shouts for joy.

Corrie ten Boom



“If millions of Christians can be tempted to neglect the church, the scriptures, prayer and other dynamics of spiritual life, they can be kept at a subsistence level of strength which will offer little threat to the kingdom of evil. ...Dull half committed lukewarm anemic believers are no threat to the powers of darkness and thus draw no fire. But active agents of the Kingdom can expect a lifetime of recurring attacks.”

Stafford Carson



"God has infinite attention to spare for each one of us. You are as much alone with him as if you were the only being he had ever created."

C S Lewis, Mere Christianity





**“I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one.” vs 15**



