“THAT THEY MAY BE ONE”

John 17:1–26

Key Verse: 17:21

1. What did Jesus mean by “the hour has come”? (1; 7:30; 8:20; 12:23) What did he mean when he prayed for the Father to “glorify” him? (1; see verses 4,5; see also 7:39; 11:4; 13:31,32) What did he mean when he said he would “glorify” the Father? (3:16) What does it mean for us to pray the way Jesus did?
2. What authority did the Father give Jesus, and why? (2) What did Jesus say eternal life is, and why? (3) How did he bring God glory while he was on earth, and what does this mean to us? (4; 19:30)
3. Who is Jesus talking about in verse 6, and what does he mean that the Father “gave them” to him? (6; cf. verses 2,9,24) What was his main goal in ministering to them, and why? (6a) What did they come to know? (7) How did Jesus reveal the Father to them practically? (8a) What did they come to know and believe? (8b)
4. Who did Jesus pray for? (9) What did he say about his own special relationship with the Father? (10a) What happened to Jesus because of these people, and why? (10b) Why was he concerned about them, and what was his goal in praying for them? (11) What had Jesus done for them, and what does this mean? (12)
5. What other goal did Jesus have for them? (13) How did he describe them? (14,16) What other two things did he pray for them? (15,17) Why was he praying these things? (18) What else did Jesus do, and why? (19)
6. Who else did Jesus pray for? (20) Read verse 21. What was his prayer topic? Why is it so hard for these people to be one, and how is it possible? What else did Jesus say, and what does it mean? (22; cf. 1:14) What bigger purpose did he see for their unity, and what does this mean to us? (23) What was his final prayer for them? (24)
7. What did Jesus say about the Father and himself? (25) What did he promise to do, and why? (26) What can we learn from Jesus through this prayer?