Personal Application and Conversations

- 1. How does knowing that eternal life is more a state of being rather than a place influence how you live now?
- 2. How do your personal circumstances drive your prayer life in honest conversation with God? How have you detached yourself by trying to pray "the right way"?
- 3. How does knowing that disciples are given to Jesus by the Father influence your faith and actions?
- 4. What do you do with the fact that some are "doomed for destruction" in order to have fulfilled the Scriptures, ie., the purposes of God?
- 5. What does it mean, in a practical way, to be in the world but not of it?
- 6. What are some recent ways truth (Scripture) is sanctifying you?



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So what do you do in your times of stress or grief? Do we think about how we can solve it? Pull ourselves up by our own bootstraps and just work it out? Do we rely on others, family members, friends, or just keep it hidden inside? After all, we wouldn't want others to know we don't have it all together. What about God? Is he a last resort or a first resort? Someone who's there only when I can't do it myself?

This week, as I was preparing for this section of Scripture, I came across a very interesting article by Kyle Strobel on prayer. It was very timely.

As we look at Jesus' prayer to his Heavenly Father in his time of deep distress and turmoil, what were the longings of his troubled and emotional heart?

Jesus prays for himself. (17:1-5)

- "The_____ has come."
- Glorify: to _____ and _____
 and ______ and ______
 "Now this is ______, that they
- "Now this is ______, that they may______ you, the only ______ God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have ______."
- "Glorify me in your ______ with the glory I had with you before the ______."

Jesus prays for his disciples. (17:6-19)

- "They_____ that you sent me."
- "_____ has come to me _____ them."
- "They are ______ in the ______."
- "_____ them by the _____ of your name... that they may be _____ as we are _____."
- "_____ has been lost except the one _____ to _____ so that the Scripture would be "
- "... that they may have the ______ of my ______ of my
- "The _____ has _____ them , for they are not _____."
- "My prayer is... that you ______ them from the ______."
- "______ them by the _____; your _____ is truth."

Jesus prays for all who will believe. (17: 20-26)

- "May they be in _____ so that the _____ may _____ that you sent me."
- "I... will continue to make you ______ so that the ______ you have for me may be in them."