

"For the Glory of God"

Text: John 17:6-10

Scripture reading: Ephesians 1:1-14

I. Glory: The objective of prayer and practice - vv. 1-5

II. Glory: The blessing of giving and receiving - vv. 6-10

A) The world owned and redeemed - vs. 6 (Eph. 1:3-4; Jn. 6:37-40)

The blessings of redemption that glorify Christ:

1. Beholding the truth of Christ

2. Certainty of ownership by Christ

3. Never lost to Christ

4. Completion promised by Christ (Phil. 1:6)

B) The Word given and received - vv. 6-8

1. God's name manifested - vs. 6a

a) II Pet. 1:20-21

b) Acts 27:14-17

2. God's words kept - vs. 6b

3. Christ's words received - vv. 7-8 (Luke 22:31-32)

C) The Savior petitions and revealed - vv. 9-10

1. Christ rescues sinners by His grace

William Hendriksen, "*The graces which adorn those who have been drawn out of the darkness and into the light reflect His (Christ's) love and power.*"

2. Sinners believe and trust in Him

3. Believers lives transformed by Him (I Cor. 6:19-20)

4. Believers proclaim Him (I Pet. 4:16)

"If we live in spiritual adultery, compromising with the values of our society, if the priorities of our non-Christian culture become our priorities, we are not living in a way that glorifies Him. But if, by contrast, the priorities of the Word of God seize upon us and we strive for holiness in our lives, then we do glorify Him."

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