

## "For the Glory of God"

Text: John 17:20-26

Scripture reading: Ephesians 4:1-16

- I. Glory: The objective of prayer and practice - vv. 1-5
- II. Glory: The blessing of giving and receiving - vv. 6-10
- III. Glory: The appeal to keep and to sanctify - vv. 11-19
- IV. Glory: The marks of unity and love - vv. 20-26**

A) The Savior's passion for unity - vv. 20-23 (Acts 1:8; Titus 3:10-11)

1. What is our unity in Christ to look like?

1a. What our unity \_\_\_\_\_ (I Cor. 12:4-7)

1b. What our unity \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is our unity in Christ to accomplish?

B) The Savior's passion for love - vv. 23-26

1. The display of God's love to the world - vv. 23-24

2. The display of God's love in His church - vv. 25-26

C) The Savior's passion for togetherness - vs. 24

**Conclusion:** Questions to consider in pursuit of our Savior's passions

1) How would you describe your personal devotion to the unity of God's family? (beyond receiving salvation by faith)

2) How do we actively cultivate Divine love for one another?

3) How does the Lord's passion for the presence of His people influence your unity and love for the church?

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**Sermon quotes:**

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Leon Morris,

*"This is an important aspect of New Testament Christianity. It is not a faith that can be lived out in solitude. ... We who follow Christ must bear in mind that Christ was one with the Father and in that spirit, he expects His followers to be one with Him and one with each other."*