



TO GOD BE THE GLORY

If you have a pattern of having someone share their *Story of Faith* (life before Jesus, encountering Jesus, life since/lately with Jesus) and/or sharing *Evidences of God's grace*, begin with that, followed by a time of thankful prayer for Christ's work in the individual's life/the grace in your lives.

OPENING COMMENT

John 17:1-5 gives us a unique glimpse into the relationship of God the Father with God the Son. It allows us a peak into the purposes of God as Jesus reveals his motivation and end goal. We can see that God purpose to reveal himself more fully through the work of Jesus on the Cross, so that we can know God as always intended.

READ THE TEXT: [John 17:1-5](#)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How will seeing our salvation as a result of God's work on the Cross, instead of His purpose for the cross, change our perspective?
2. Why is it important for Jesus to have both the authority over all flesh in order to grant saving knowledge of God?



3. What comfort do we find in the fact that Jesus claims that he accomplished the goal he set out to accomplish?
4. If God's Glory is defined as "The public display of the infinite beauty and worth of God", then how does the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus glorify God? What things are revealed in this particular and integral revelation?
5. How might we, as recipients of God's grace, become conduits of displaying His worth and beauty to the world around us? What tangible and proximal (close at hand) things can we do to glorify God?
6. Jesus acts as our eternal intercessor (Hebrews 7:25). This "High Priestly Prayer" is a taste of His never ceasing prayers for us as believers. How might the first 5 verses build a foundation of confidence in the prayer Jesus continues to utter throughout the rest of John 17?

CONCLUSION

We are the undeserving recipients of grace and mercy from The God of the Universe, who included us in his ultimate plan to display his infinite value and beauty. Through Jesus we can approach God as our Father and call on Him in our times of trouble and tribulation. We have been given the knowledge of God and Jesus Christ for the purposes of spreading His fame and His worth.

SHARE & PRAY

- Share how you can pray for each other in light of this study.
- Conclude by spending some time praying for one another, for the areas of growth and grace you are seeking, and the needs among you.

