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7. In John 17, we get to hear Jesus' prayer to His Father knowing He was going to be arrested. Read verses 1-5. Who does Jesus want glorified? How can we have the same attitude in our lives today?

- 8. In verses 14-16, Jesus said the disciples (and all believers), are in the world but not of this world. What do you think He means? How can YOU be in the world but not of it?
- 9. Read verse 23. Jesus prayed that all believers would live in complete unity with Him, God and each other. What would the world know if there is unity among believers?

10. What do we learn about Jesus who gives us a Helper and prays for us?

## BELIEVE THE TRUTH

God knew that His people needed saving which is why He sent Jesus. He also knew that Jesus would have to die for our sins and couldn't be with us forever. What a kind, loving, thoughtful, and gracious God we have that He gave us Jesus to show us the way, the truth, and the life. He showed us Himself, through Jesus and gave us access to Him and the opportunity to have eternal life. Even after Jesus is gone, He does't leave us alone or to our own strength. He gave us the Holy Spirit to help us, guide us, teach us, and remind us. Thank you, God!

## PRAY THE TRUTH

Dear God, I am in awe of how good you are. Thank you for giving us everything we need for salvation and to then join you on mission to share that same salvation with others. I believe that you are the way, the truth and the life. Thank you for giving us the Holy Spirit to help us. Amen.



## WALK IN TRUTH



If we believe that Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life, it should show in how we live. How does this show in your life? What areas do you need to lean on the Holy Spirit for help?



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## Various John Lessons (NLT)

John 14:1-12: ""Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me. 2 There is more than enough room in my Father's home. If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? 3 When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am. 4 And you know the way to where I am going."

5 "No, we don't know, Lord," Thomas said. "We have no idea where you are going, so how can we know the way?" 6 Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me. 7 If you had really known me, you would know who my Father is. From now on, you do know him and have seen him!" 8 Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied."

9 Jesus replied, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and yet you still don't know who I am? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father! So why are you asking me to show him to you? 10 Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I speak are not my own, but my Father who lives in me does his work through me. 11 Just believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me. Or at least believe because of the work you have seen me do.

12 "I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father."

John 14:15-17: "If you love me, obey my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. 17 He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you."

26: "But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you."

John 17:1-5: "After saying all these things, Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son so he can give glory back to you. 2 For you have given him authority over everyone. He gives eternal life to each one you have given him. 3 And this is the way to have eternal life—to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, the one you sent to earth. 4 I brought glory to you here on earth by completing the work you gave me to do. 5 Now, Father, bring me into the glory we shared before the world began.

13 "Now I am coming to you. I told them many things while I was with them in this world so they would be filled with my joy. 14 I have given them your word. And the world hates them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. 15 I'm not asking you to take them out of the world, but to keep them safe from the evil one. 16 They do not belong to this world any more than I do. 17 Make them holy by your truth; teach them your word, which is truth. 18 Just as you sent me into the world, I am sending them into the world. 19 And I give myself as a holy sacrifice for them so they can be made holy by your truth.

20 "I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. 21 I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me.

22 "I have given them the glory you gave me, so they may be one as we are one. 23 I am in them and you are in me. May they experience such perfect unity that the world will know that you sent me and that you love them as much as you love me. 24 Father, I want these whom you have given me to be with me where I am. Then they can see all the glory you gave me because you loved me even before the world began!

25 "O righteous Father, the world doesn't know you, but I do; and these disciples know you sent me. 26 I have revealed you to them, and I will continue to do so. Then your love for me will be in them, and I will be in them."

**Holy Spirit:** God's Spirit. Called Advocate. Lives within all Christians as our helper, teacher, comforter, and our friend. Holy Spirit wants to lead us and guide us every day.

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