



***Look Who Prayed  
for You***

**John 17:1-26**

# What's in a Word?

- **Word association: *unity***
- **What is Jesus referring to in John 17:20-26?**



# Setting the Stage

- **Jesus in the upper room with disciples**
- **Jesus praying:**
  - **For Himself to glorify God**
  - **For His disciples**
  - **For us**
  - **For those who had not come to Him**



# What is Jesus' Concern?

- That we might be one
- Just as the Father is in Jesus and Jesus is in the Father
- The reason?
  - The world might believe that God had sent Jesus
- How is “the church” doing?



# A Second Concern of Jesus?

- **We might see Jesus' glory given by God**
- **Ultimately glorify the Father**
- **The glory of God now rests on the church**
- **Jesus praying for us, as followers, to bring glory to God**
- **How are we doing?**



# Implications for Us

- **What does unity look like?**
- **Identity as a Christ-follower:**
  - **Growing in our relationship with Jesus**
  - **Growing in community with others**
  - **Part of the mission of God**



# How Do We Do It?

- **Bring a message of hope**
- **Bring a message of Christ:  
minister grace**
- **God gives us opportunities to  
help set people free**



# How Do We Do It?

- **Grow in our love for God and understanding of His love for us**
- **Need to be part of a small group**
- **Being Kingdom people doing God's work**



# The Challenge

- **Do we want to impact others for Jesus?**
- **Do we want to be effective Christ-followers?**
- **Do we want to experience the fullness of unity in our local church body?**
- **Do we want to glorify God's name?**



# The Challenge

- **Lifestyle change:**
- **Thinking of others instead of focusing on “me”**
- **Putting aside needs/wants to meet the needs of others**
- **Getting out of the stands and into the field of action**
- **Ask God what needs to change in you...**



# A Final Word

- **The end of Jesus' prayer: do all of this "in order that the love you have for me may be in them and I myself may be in them."**
- **Jesus wants us to experience love of God for Jesus in our relationship with Him**
- **Love God and love others as He loves us**

