

# The Prayer Jesus Prayed

## SERIES: Getting Ready for Easter - Part 2

**Ephesians 1:7 (NJB)** “Through His blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.”

**John 17:1 (NCV)** “He looked toward heaven and prayed...”

Jesus’ prayer shows us **HIS HEART**

Jesus’ prayer shows us **OUR HOPE**

**John 17:20 (NLT)** “I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in Me because of their testimony.”

**Romans 8:34 (CEV)** “Christ died and was raised to life, and now He is at God's right side, speaking to Him for us.”

## Five ways Jesus is praying for you:

### **I. GIVE THEM PROTECTION.**

**John 17:15 (NLT)** “I'm not asking You to take them out of the world, but to keep them safe from the evil one.”

**Matthew 6:13 (NIV)** “And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.”

### **II. GIVE THEM UNITY.**

**John 17:21 (TLB)** “My prayer for all of them is that they will be of one heart and mind, just as you and I are, Father.”

**John 13:35 (MSG)** “This is how everyone will recognize that you are My disciples—when they see the love you have for each other.”

**Romans 15:5 (NIV)** “May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among ourselves as you follow Christ Jesus.”

### **III. GIVE THEM JOY.**

**John 17:13 (NCV)** “I am coming to you now. But I pray these things while I am still in the world so that these followers can have all of My joy in them.”

**John 16:20-21 (NIV)** “You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy. A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has come; but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because of her joy that a child is born into the world.”

### **IV. GIVE THEM PURITY.**

**John 17:17 (NLT).** “Make them pure and holy by teaching them Your words of truth.”

**John 17:19 (TEV)** “And for their sake I dedicate Myself to You, in order that they, too, may be truly dedicated to You.”

**Titus 1:15 (TLB)** “A person who is pure of heart sees goodness and purity in everything; but a person whose own heart is evil and untrusting finds evil in everything, for his dirty mind and rebellious heart color all he sees and hears.”

### **V. GIVE THEM A MISSION.**

**John 17:18 (MSG)** “In the same way that You gave me a mission in the world, I give them a mission in the world.”

**John 17:23 (NCV)** “Then the world will know that You sent Me and that You loved them just as much as You loved me.”

**John 17:24 (NCV)** “Father, I want these people that You gave Me to be with Me where I am.”

**John 17:3 (NLT)** “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.”