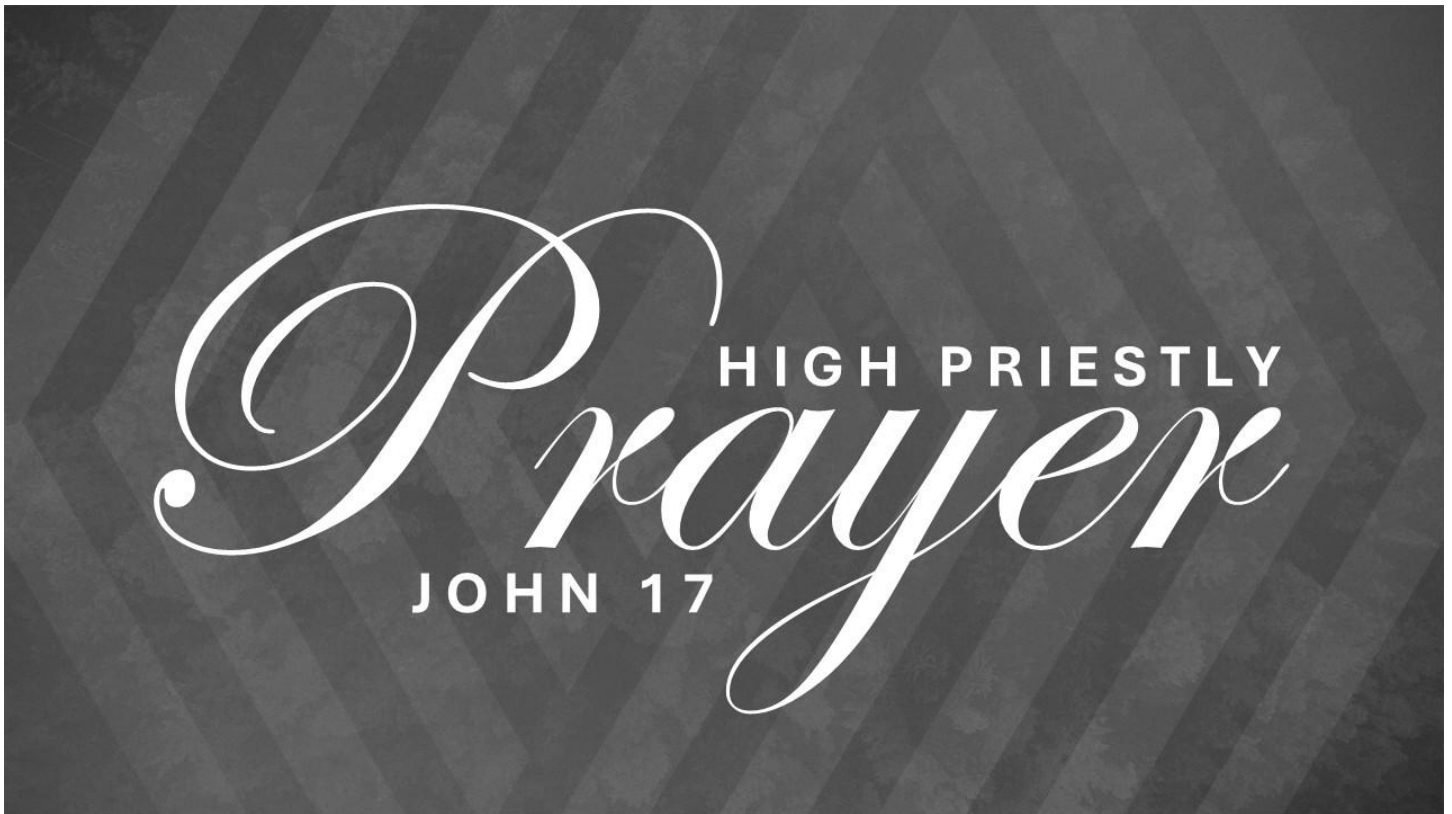




## **THE HIGH PRIESTLY PRAYER**

### **WEEK ONE (JOHN 17:1, 5, 24)**

“From beginning to end, Jesus’ earthly ministry was marked by frequent times of prayer ... But of all the prayers of Jesus, the one recorded here in the seventeenth chapter of John’s Gospel is the most profound and magnificent. Its words are plain, yet majestic; simple, yet mysterious. They plunge the reader into the unfathomable depths of the inter-Trinitarian communication between the Father and the Son, and their scope encompasses the entire sweep of redemptive history from election to glorification, including the themes of regeneration, revelation, illumination, sanctification, and preservation. The veil is drawn back, and the reader is escorted by Jesus Christ into the Holy of Holies, to the very throne of God. The value of its infinite richness is heightened by its uniqueness. There is no other chapter in the Bible like it.”

(John MacArthur, *Our Savior Who Prays: The Prayer That Secures the Saints’ Eternal Glory*)

Jesus prayed about his own \_\_\_\_\_ (John 17:1, 17:5, 17:24).

## What is “glory?” What does it mean to “glorify?”

- The Hebrew words are \_\_\_\_\_ (noun) and \_\_\_\_\_ (verb) ... heaviness, burden, riches, reputation, importance, glory, splendor, distinction, honor, testimonial
- The Greek words are \_\_\_\_\_ (noun) and \_\_\_\_\_ (verb) ... brightness, splendor, radiance, glory, greatness, renown, honor, prestige, recognition, fame, praise
- God’s glory is the \_\_\_\_\_ of his attributes, the fullness of his character.

“The ‘glory of the Lord’ is the splendor and brilliance that is inseparably associate with all of God’s attributes and his self-revelation in nature and grace, the glorious form in which he everywhere appears to his creatures. This glory and majesty in which God is clothed and which characterizes all his activities ... though manifest throughout his creation ... is nevertheless especially visible in the realm of grace.”

(Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, Volume 2)

“God’s ultimate \_\_\_\_\_ in all he does is to preserve and display His glory ... The term *glory of God* in the Bible generally refers to the visible splendor or moral beauty of God’s manifold perfections. It is an attempt to put into words what cannot be contain in words – what God is like in His unveiled magnificence and excellence. Another term that can signify much the same thing is *the name of God*. When Scripture speaks of doing something ‘for God’s name’s sake,’ it means virtually the same as doing it ‘for his glory.’” (John Piper, *Desiring God*)

“In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said: ‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his \_\_\_\_\_!’” (Isaiah 6:1-3)

## How should we understand Jesus’ prayer for his own glory?

- Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ for the glory of God (John 7:18).
- Jesus prayed about his glory in the \_\_\_\_\_ (John 17:1).
- Jesus prayed about the glory of the \_\_\_\_\_ (John 17:1, 5, 24).
- Jesus prayed about his glory in the \_\_\_\_\_ (John 17:5).
- Jesus prayed that his disciples would \_\_\_\_\_ his glory (John 17:24).