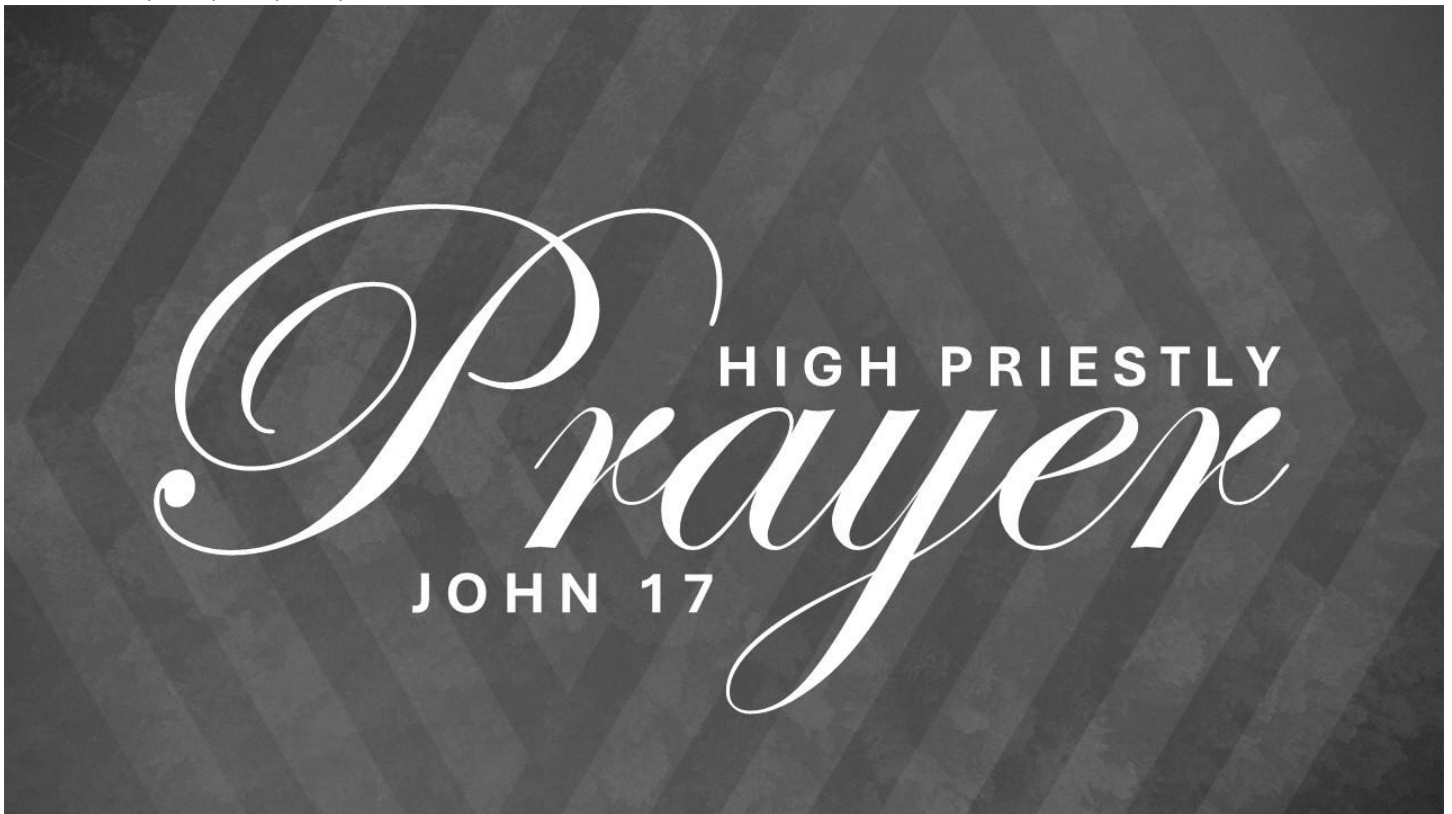




THE HIGH PRIESTLY PRAYER

WEEK FOUR (JOHN 17:4)

"Jesus _____! Jesus _____!" (Priscilla Owens, "We Have Heard the Joyful Sound," 1898)

"The _____ [of salvation] is inseparable from the _____ [of salvation]. It is one work that the mediator has been mandated to accomplish; and he will not rest until he can deliver in toto the whole kingdom to the Father. Yet no matter how inseparably connected the acquisition and application of salvation are, there is a distinction between them. Christ accomplished the former on earth, in the state of humiliation, by his suffering and death; he accomplishes the latter from heaven, in the state of exaltation, by his prophetic, priestly, and royal activity at the right hand of the Father. For that reason he also actualizes this application of salvation by the Holy Spirit." (Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, Volume 3)

Jesus prayed about the work he _____ (John 17:4).

- This work was _____ to the Son by the Father.
- This work _____ the Father.
- This work would _____ be finished (“the prophetic perfect tense”).

What work did Jesus accomplish?

- _____: We Are No Longer Rebels (2 Corinthians 5:21, Hebrews 4:14-15, 1 Peter 1:19, 2:22, 1 John 3:5)
- _____: We Are No Longer Under Wrath (Romans 3:25, Hebrews 2:17, 1 John 2:2, 4:10)
- _____: We Are No Longer Slaves (Matthew 20:28, Galatians 3:13, Titus 2:14, Hebrews 9:15, 1 Peter 1:18)
- _____: We Are No Longer in Debt (Matthew 9:6, 26:28, Luke 24:47, Acts 2:38, 13:38, 1 John 1:9)
- _____: We Are No Longer Enemies (Romans 5:10, 2 Corinthians 5:18-20, Colossians 1:21-22)
- _____: We Are No Longer in Danger (Acts 4:12, 13:47-48, Romans 1:16, Ephesians 1:13, 1 Thessalonians 5:9)

How should we respond to Jesus’ prayer of “accomplishment?”

- We should thank the _____ for giving this work to the Son. We should thank the _____ for accomplishing this work. We should thank the _____ for applying this work.
- We should _____ in what Jesus has accomplished.
- We should pray that the work God has given to _____ would be accomplished.

“Jesus’ prayer for himself is not intended to be taken primarily as a paradigm for our prayers. Perhaps the closest we may come to patterning our prayers for ourselves after the one Jesus offers for himself is to cry to God with all sincerity and no reservations that [his] will be fully accomplished in our lives. Such a prayer can be costly; in the extreme case it may lead to a martyr’s crown. Alternatively, it may press us toward difficult service unrecognized by peers, or to quiet acceptance of personal pain and suffering. But it always leads to the best way that any person can possibly take.” (DA Carson, *The Farewell Discourse and Final Prayer of Jesus*)