

SERMON: Christ's High Priestly Prayer

SCRIPTURE: John 17 (text vv. 1-5)

## Introduction

- I. The prayer begun (v. 1a)
- II. His first request; glorify Your Son that the Son may glorify you (v. 1b)
  - A. Explained
  - B. Our motive for what we request: God's glory
  - C. Our purpose for which we exist: God's glory  
Mt. 5:16; I Cor. 10:31
- III. The authority given Christ---over all flesh to give eternal life---(v. 2)  
Eph. 1:20-23; Jn. 17:24; Jn. 1:11-13; 6:37,65; 10:27-29
- IV. The nature of this eternal life Christ gives---knowing the only true God and Jesus Christ (v. 3) I Jn. 5:20
  - A. Explained
  - B. This life continues and grows
  - C. This life is personal, experienced
  - D. This life is based on Truth
- V. The way Christ glorified the Father---according to the work given Him to do (v. 4) see Heb. 1:3; Jn. 1:14; 4:34
  - A. Explained
  - B. Christ is to be our confidence and encouragement
  - C. There is work for us to do---but not as Christ did  
Rom. 14:7,8; I Cor. 6:19,20; Col. 1:10; I Pet. 2:9; Eph. 2:10
- VI. The nature of Christ's glory---a glory with the Father as Christ had formerly (v. 5)