

For the Week of March 12, 2023 John 17:1-26

Reading the Text:

- 1. What are some of the themes/ideas that have come up in recent chapters? What is the immediate context of the passage we are in now?
- 2. In your own words, what exactly is Jesus asking the Father for in vv. 1-5? When thinking of "glory", how has the idea of glory come up throughout this gospel? Is it always the same or is this different in some way?
- Jesus refers to "the world" multiple times in this text. What (or who) is "the world"? Is this the same "world" He refers to in 3:16?
- 4. What are the main "petitions" or specific requests for His believers? What other things does He want to be made known to the Father in His prayers?
- 5. How would you summarize the big idea of this passage?

Living It Out:

- How do the ideas in Jesus' final prayer before His betrayal reveal what was of utmost importance to Him? How might this impact the way you pray now?
- 2. Jesus' prayer is full of requests for all believers including those who "will" believe (v. 20). Have you ever considered that this prayer includes you and those around you? What do you think of this reality?
- 3. This passage speaks a lot about unity in bringing glory to God. What could a community look like that finds unity in promoting God's glory above anything else?

