

1. Opening Prayer

2. Intro: Prayers of Jesus in Synoptic Gospels

a. Mark

Alone in a solitary place (in mountains): 1:35, 3:13, 6:46, 9:2, and 14:32

Power of prayer: 9:29, and 11:24-25

The Lord's Prayer is not found in Mark.

b. Matthew

Prayer in relation with worship: 6:5-15

Jesus taught about prayers: 6:5-15, 11:25-27, 26:38-45

c. Luke

15 prayers of Jesus are found in Luke.

Jesus who prays: after baptism in 3:21, solitary place in 5:16, before calling 12 disciples in 6:12, before Peter's confession in 9:16, at transfiguration in 9:29, after mission trip in 10:21, before teaching the Lord's Prayer in 11:1, prayer for Peter in 22:31, at Gethsemane in 22:41, and on the cross in 23:46

Jesus who teaches prayers: parable of a friend at night in 11:5, "ask, seek, and knock" in 11:9, parable of a widow in 18:1-8, prayers of a Pharisee and a tax collector in 18:10, and at Gethsemane in 22:40

3. Let us read John Ch. 16

4. Discussion

- a. What are the "these things" in verse 1?
- b. Why is it advantageous for the disciples that Jesus would leave them? (v. 7)
- c. How do you understand sin, righteousness, and judgment in verses 8-11?
- d. The disciples didn't understand verse 16. How would love to explain it to them?
- e. How do you understand "for a little while" in verse 16?
- f. Find out two reasons in this passage how come the disciples' pain will turn to joy.
- g. What do you think about Jesus' response to their belief in verses 29-33?

5. Structure of Ch. 17

Prayer for glory vv. 1-5

Prayer for the community vv. 6-26

Reason for prayer for the community vv. 6-11a

For the protection of the community vv. 11b-16

For the sanctification of the community vv. 17-19

For the unity of the community vv. 20-23

For the glory of the community vv. 24-26

6. Let us read John. Ch. 17

7. Discussion

- a. Can you compare this chapter with the Lord's Prayer and with prayer at Gethsemane?
- b. How do you understand "the one destined to be lost" in verse 12? The Greek text literally says "but son of the destruction (2 Tim. 2:3)."
- c. How do you understand "sanctify" in verses 17-19?

8. Closing Prayer