



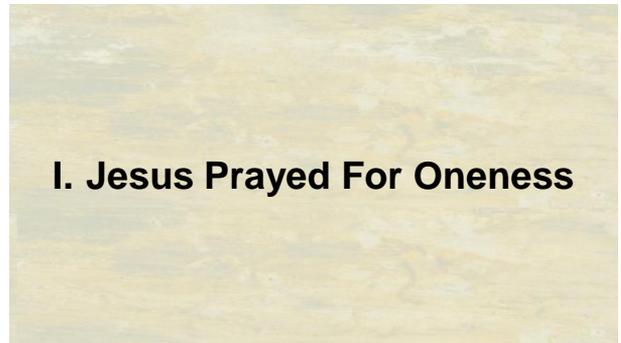
TODAY'S MESSAGE:



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 Becoming A Kingdom Community
 Pt. 1 – The Power Of Oneness
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John 17:20-23, NKJV – (20) "I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; (21) that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. (22) And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: (23) I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.

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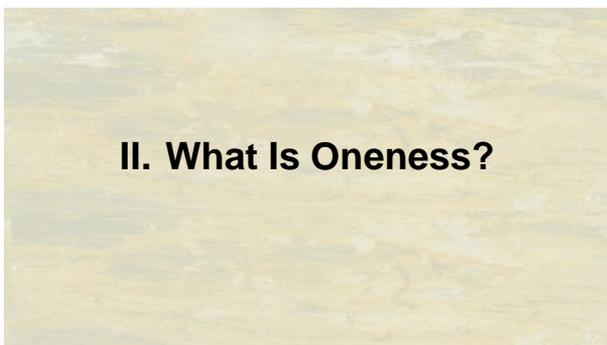
A. God Be Glorified.

Jesus prayed that just as His Father had been glorified through His life, Jesus now prayed that His Father would be glorified in His death.

B. God's People Be One.

Jesus prayed that all of those who believed in Him would be one, just as He and His Father are one.

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Ephesians 2:14-16, NIV – (14) For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, (15) by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, (16) and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.

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A. One Through Peace - There would be peace between every member of this new people, and no sign of hostility between them.

B. One Through Freedom - They would be completely free from the burden of the Old Testament Law, which, according to the Bible, was only given to reveal our sinfulness, not free us from our sin.

James 2:8, NIV – (8) ... *If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing right.*

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III. Positional And Practical Oneness.

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A. Positional Oneness - Jesus, by His death on the cross, made us "**positionally**" into one new man. In Christ, we are one new people, united in the Holy Spirit.

B. Practical Oneness - Jesus prayed that we would be "**practically**" one, that we would learn how to live as one – as one new people – in the spirit of oneness.

Ephesians 4:3, NIV – (3) *Make every effort to keep the unity [oneness] of the Spirit through the bond of peace.*

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IV. Unity Versus Oneness.

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A. The Importance Of Christlikeness.

Acts 11:26, NIV – (26) ... *The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.*

B. The Importance Of Oneness.

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V. Why Is Practical Oneness So Important?

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A. It Moves People To Believe In Christ.

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B. It Moves People To Become More Like Christ.

John 17:22-23, NKJV – (22) *... that they may be one just as We are one: (23) ... that they may be made perfect in one(ness).*

Luke 17:1, NKJV – (1) *... "It is impossible that no offenses should come ...".*

John 17:15, NKJV – (15) *I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one.*

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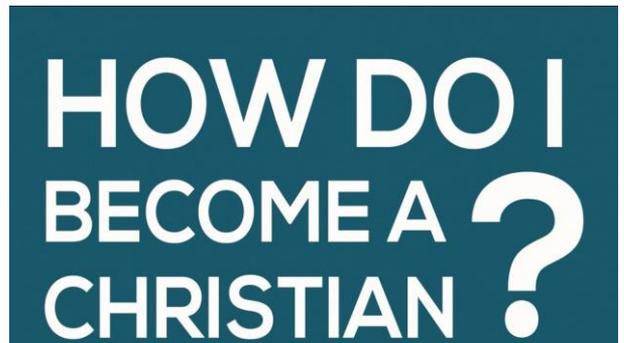
OUR
RESPONSE

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Ask God to give us "**positional**" oneness, through accepting the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross.

Ask God to help us experience "**practical**" oneness, through allowing the Holy Spirit to work in us as believers.

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HOW DO I
BECOME A
CHRISTIAN ?

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Becoming A Child Of God

- A – Admit** that Jesus is indeed my only way to salvation, and that my life is completely lost without Him.
- B – Believe** that Jesus died on the cross for my sins, and rose from the dead for my freedom.
- C – Confess** Jesus as my personal Lord and Saviour, the new leader of my life.
- D – Decide** to follow Jesus daily, and invite Him to teach me how to live and how to love.

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How Can I Pray To Become A Christian?

Jesus, I realize now that I am lost without You, and that receiving You as my Lord and Saviour is the only way that I can experience freedom.

Thank You for dying on the cross to save me from the penalty of sin, and rising from the dead so that I can be completely free.

I choose to confess and put my trust in You as my Lord and Savior. I give my whole heart and my whole life to You.

I ask for Your help so that I can do my best, to follow You each and every day.

In Jesus' name I pray. Amen!

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