Series: Simply Jesus

Title: Our Lord's Prayer

<u>Text</u>: (John 17)

Our Prayers tell allot about us and our hearts. If its on our hearts - Its in our Prayers.

Do you know people that you never have to wonder what is on their minds? - Fall out their mouth!

Prayer gives us a glimpse into a person's Heart

<u>Illus</u>: If there is a desire on our heart, we pray @ it. If it's urgent, It's on our heart, & we pray @ it. If it's Serious to us, Its on our heart, & we pray @ it. If its on our hearts, we pray about it.

What things cause you to get up early to pray? take time away from daily activities to pray? stay up late to pray?

You prayers reveal the Deep Concerns of the heart! **Prayer is an intimate communion with God.**

Sometimes its an Emergency Alarm!

<u>Illus</u>: Flying out of El Paso, I didn't care about scenery, snack, movie.

I didn't want a pillow or blanket, I take that back, I wanted my pillow and blankie!

(Crisis Management Christianity) Flare Prayer!

<u>Prayer gives us a glimpse into a person's Heart</u> Prayer is an intimate communion with God. Jn 17 This really is our Lord's Prayer.

Not the Example Prayer of (Matt 6:9-13)
We are entering the Holy of Holies of prayers.
We have the privilege of hearing God the Son commune with God the Father.

In Our Lord's Prayer We see His Heart for Us! This was not an emergency Prayer.

I. Christ Prays for Himself: (Vs 1-5)

(Vs 1) Christ set aside His glory to come to earth. The disciples glimpsed it on the Mt. Transfiguration. John spoke @ (Jn 1:14) Peter spoke @ (2Pet1:16-18)

(Vs 2) Notice the "Gives/Given" in Vs 2
The Father gave the Son Authority over all mankind.
The Father desired Christ to give eternal life to His disciples the Father gave to Christ.
Each believer is God's gift to Christ. (Vs 6b)

(Vs 3-5) Highlighting Jesus

<u>Christ saw the Cross as a means to Glorify the</u>

<u>Father</u>: (Vs 4) (Jn 12:23)

<u>Christ declares His Eternal Deity & Pre-Existence</u>: (Vs 5)

John Spoke of His Glory: (Jn 1:14) Peter Spoke of his Glory: (2 Pet 1:16-18)

He Wants us to have Eternal Life! Vs 3 (Vs 2) Jesus is the Author of Eternal Life. "Give" It is a Gift! (Eph 2:8-9)(Rom 4:4-5) (Jn 3:16) (Lk 19:10) Seek and to save! (2 Pet 3:9) Not willing any should perish.

(Vs 3) Christ explains Eternal Life:

Christ was not sent to Condemn the world. (Jn3:17) *Christ was sent that we might Know God the Father!* Christ wants us to Know the Father!

Do you know the Father? Symbolically, the Veil of the temple was rent. Jesus gives us access: He is the door! (Jn 10:7,9)

You Can know for sure you have Eternal life! (1 Jn 5:13)

It is terrible to lose something dear to you.

I went to College, Calculus, square of the cotangent, I can't find the Baby in WalMart!

Josh hiding from us in the store. I'll Peek a boo you!

I didn't care about my car, my job, my house, my bank account!

I left Sam at Chinese Restaurant!

I'm prone to check for my keys!
It's terrible feeling to have somebody Lost!

We used to be a two Cart Shopper, put the kids in the cart, pile the food on top!

That's How God feels!

God has not lost you physically, but spiritually. Born separated from Him, Eph 2:1

He wants us to have Eternal Life! (Vs 3)

(Jn 5:24) passed from death unto life! Jesus left heaven (Sent in vs 3) to give us eternal life. The resurrection is the means that we have eternal Life! (1 Pet 1:3-5)

<u>Illus</u>: Not by Baptism, Church Membership, Communion, but by Jesus!

(Jn 14:6) – I am the way!

<u>Illus</u>: Many people Struggle with this today!

How Bout You?

If you died today, will you go to heaven?

(Vs 6-7)

Jesus declared that His disciples had come to realize that all which He did and said during His ministry were ultimately from God.

His direct reference to His Deity.

He wants us to Possess the Scriptures Vs 8,14

You have access to the very Words God wanted you to know! (Ps 12:6-7)

<u>Illus</u>: Nothing was lost in Translation!

Don't give messages to my kids to give to me!

It gets lost in translation!

Do you speak fluent teenager?

God gave us His Word, in Perfect form!

It is Sacred Language.

How do you put the end of God into words of Men? (Is 55:8-9)

<u>Illus</u>: I have exactly what He wrote, I have exactly what He wanted me to Know!

(Ps 119:89) Forever O Lord thy Word is Settled in Heaven

(Ps 119:152) Concerning thy testimonies, I have known of old that thou

(Ps 119:160) Thy word is true from the beginning and everyone of thy

(Is 40: 8) The grass withereth, the flower fadeth, but the Word of our

(Matt 24:35) Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away.

It's important, because this how we receive our faith! (Rom 10:17)

We Need to Preach it! (2 Tim 4:2) To declare it with authority.

We need to Study it! (1 Pet 2:2) As newborn babes (2 Tim 2:15) Study to show thyself approved,...

We need to Obey it! (James 1:22) Be ye doers of the word and not hearer's only.

<u>Illus</u>: Its not a matter of information,

Knowing vs Knowing and doing!
When I was lost, I knew what was right,
I knew I wasn't a Christian because I knew how a
Christian should act!

(Vs 8) Receiving His word, we know surely that Jesus came from God, and we know God sent Him.

He wants us to Be sure! Eternally Secure! (Vs 11-12)

Illus: It is God's job to keep us, not ours!
We were not Good enough to earn it, How could we
ever be good enough to keep it.

(1 Pet 1:5) Kept by the Power of God! (Jn 6:37) I will in no wise cast out! (Jn 10:28-29) In My hand, In my Father's Hand!

<u>Illus</u>: You would have to be stronger than God! Jesus is not some con-man w/a limited Guarantee!

<u>Illus</u>: There is no Fine print! If salvation was of the world you would here that fast talk at the end of each sermon!

Guaranteed for eternal life as long as you don't kill, cheat steal, lie drink smoke chew or run with those that do!

He wanted us to Have Joy Vs 13

He wants us to Sanctified Vs 15-17

Sanctified = Set apart for God's Use!

God wants us to Be Saved, Get into the Scripture, then Set apart for His Use! (2 Pet 3:11-12) what persons ye ought to be! <u>Illus</u>: Saved for a purpose, Eligible for Heaven, why leave us here?

Christ prayed that we would be kept from evil.

III. Christ Prayed for His Bride: Vs 20-23

He Wants to Take us to Heaven When We Die: (Vs 24)

2 Cor 5:8 Absent from the Body and to be present with the Lord.

I Jn 3:2 See Him as He is!

1 Thes 4:16-17 so shall we ever be with the Lord!

What do you pray for? What is on your heart?

This is what was on God's Heart just before He died for Us!