

**Friday, May 29, 2020**

**John 17:1-11**



Jesus prayed in v. 11 for protection for his followers, so that they would be one in him—just as Jesus was one in the Father.

What do you suppose Jesus meant by asking the Father to “protect them by the power of your name—the name you gave me?” How are we to use the name of Jesus when we pray? Why is there power in the name of Jesus? Explain.

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**Saturday, May 30, 2020**

**Life Application and Challenge**



Jesus prays for himself in v. 5 and for the disciples in v. 9 in the prayer from the upper room only hours from Jesus’ arrest, torture, crucifixion, and death on the cross. Here Jesus reviews nearly all he taught them in his Final Discourse.

In light of this prayer, how can you pray for yourself and for other persons within the context of this congregation? Give several examples. Explain.

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# THE † QUARRY

**DIGGING DOWN DEEPER IN DAILY DEVOTIONS**

<sup>13</sup> "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. <sup>14</sup> But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.—Matthew 7:13-14—NIV

“How Can We Improve the Health of the Church?”

Acts 1:6-14; Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35; 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11; John 17:1-11  
The week of May 24, 2020

<sup>6</sup> "I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word.  
<sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you.  
John 17:6-7—NIV

What teaching points, lifestyle questions, and biblical learnings can I take away from the sermon and apply to my own life today?



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## MY DAILY PRAYER FOCUS

Please pray for our church:  
**that we would seriously consider  
our individual and congregational  
health, and how we might impact  
both in a positive way.**

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**Monday**

**Tuesday**

**Wednesday**

**Thursday**

**Friday**

**Saturday**

**We are on this journey together. There is no need to travel it alone...**

Visit online: [morrismemorial.org](http://morrismemorial.org) for *The Pastor’s Essentials*, etc.

**MY PRAYER JOURNAL**  
**FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday, May 25, 2020**

**John 17:1-11**



In v. 1 Jesus speaks again about *his time*, and he asks the Father to glorify him—that he might glorify the Father. Jesus refers to *his time* as he attended a wedding at Cana in John 2:4.

How can we best interpret *his time—the way Jesus referred to his time*—as we examine our own lives? How would you describe *your time*?

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**Tuesday, May 26, 2020**

**Acts 1:6-14**



The people gathered with Jesus asked him in v. 6 if he was going to restore the kingdom to Israel—at *this time*. Jesus responded that it was not for them to know the times and dates that the Father had set.

How would you interpret what they were asking? What did they mean by the phrase “restore the kingdom to Israel?” Why would they ask this? Explain.

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**Wednesday, May 27, 2020**

**Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35**



In praise to God the psalmist rejoices and proclaims the power of God with metaphors of wind and smoke, as well as with wax and fire.

In the illustrations provided in this passage the writer discloses several ways God has *provided* and *prevailed*. How can you apply Psalm 68 to your own life in the twenty-first century? How do you rejoice in the provisions of God?

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**Thursday, May 28, 2020**

**1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11**



The writer in these verses teaches that we should not be surprised at our suffering for God has our back and will lift us up “in due time.”

Can you muster the humility, the self-control, and the alertness necessary to participate in God’s plan? How can you most fully “participate in the sufferings of Christ” in your life, knowing that the God of the universe has your back?

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