

The Gospel of **JOHN** *"Come and See"*

April 23, 2023

John 17:1-5

"The Glory"

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John 17

The High Priestly Prayer

This Prayer essentially summarizes the Gospel of John up to this point.

- Jesus is God in the Flesh
- The Disciples have been equipped and sent
- Unity of God and Unity of God's People
- Jesus' Perfect Obedience
- Jesus Glorifying God through his Life and Death
- Jesus' and our Final Destiny of Life, Glory and Love

John 17

The High Priestly Prayer

After the Last Supper and his After-Supper teaching
Jesus now gets alone time with the Father.
He will be arrested right when the prayer ends.

Jesus, our High Priest
The one person who stands in the gap on behalf of God's people,
taking their appeals, especially repentance, to the Father

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Our Triune God is Unified in his very being, and has knit believers into a unified and diverse tapestry, which is so counter-cultural that it draws others into the tapestry.

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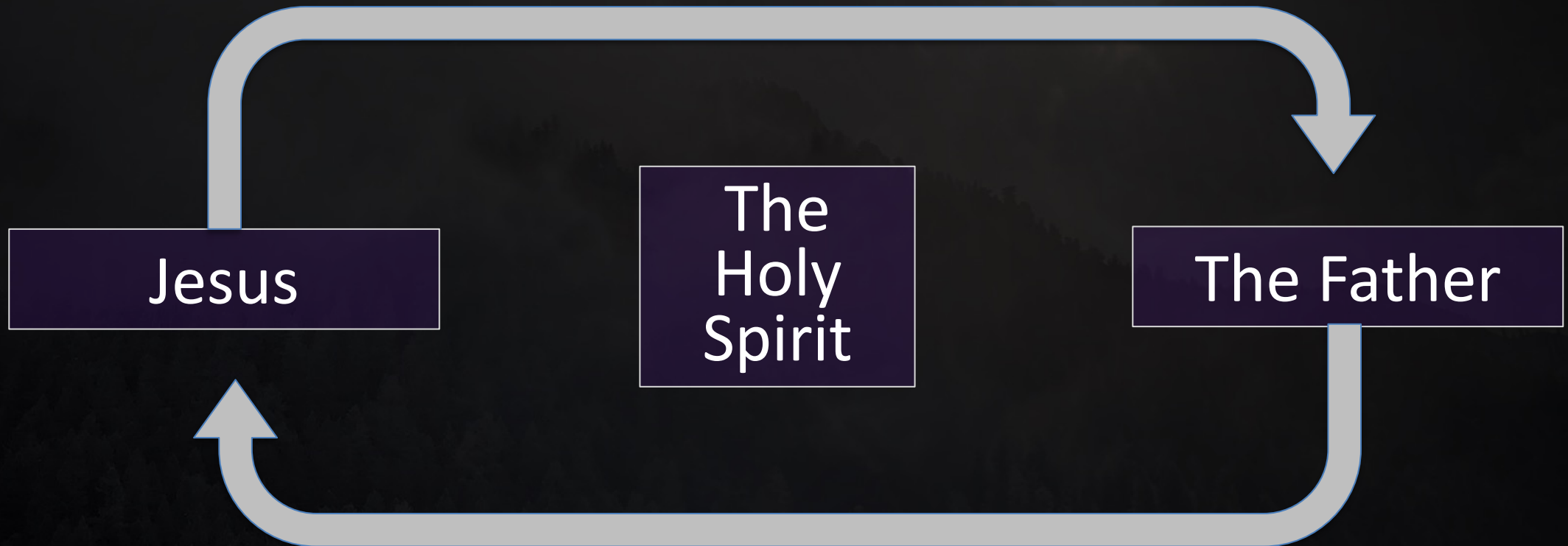
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Behavior:

To honor, esteem,
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The Glory

Glorified The Father by Securing Our Eternal Life



Glorifies The Son through Resurrection and Restoration

The Glory

Before Creation – Full Glory

Creation – Glory On Display

The Fall – Glory Shattered

Glory Heist

To what am I giving glory?

If somebody were to look at

- what I say and what I do,*
- how I spend my time,*
- how I spend my resources...*

What would they say I glorify?

How do I seek to be glorified?

In order to feel like I actually matter,
and hopefully for others to validate it...

What I have and what I do.

*My “record” – spiritual, family, kids,
sports, career, appearance, morality...*

...and when my glory is threatened...



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Before Creation – Full Glory

Creation – Glory On Display

The Fall – Glory Shattered

Christmas – Glory Ungripped

Crucifixion – Glory Destroyed

Eternity – Glory Restored, And Given to Us

Back to Glory

³ And this is eternal life, that they know you,
the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

Eternal Life is all about Glory – God's and ours:

To Know and Be Known

Without fear; without insecurity.

Perfectly Vulnerable AND Loved AND Safe.

The very things our Glory Heist was trying to accomplish.

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2 Corinthians 4:16-18

¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away,
our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this light
momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of
glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸ as we look not to the things that
are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are
seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

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Zephaniah 3:14

Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel!
Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem!

¹⁵ The LORD has taken away the judgments against you;
he has cleared away your enemies.

The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst;
you shall never again fear evil.

¹⁶ On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

“Fear not, O Zion; let not your hands grow weak.

¹⁷ The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save;
he will rejoice over you with gladness;
he will quiet you by his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing.

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“To please God... to be a real ingredient in the divine happiness... to be loved by God, not merely pitied, but delighted in as an artist delights in his work or a father in a son- it seems impossible, a weight or burden of glory which our thoughts can hardly sustain. But so it is.”

— C.S. Lewis, The Weight of Glory

God alone creates Glory

Our gift is to receive,
live and proclaim Glory.

Responding

Know The Glory

Who Jesus was,
what he gave
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Enjoy The Glory

“God is most
glorified in me
when I am most
satisfied in Him.”
- John Piper