

The Prayer That Jesus Prayed For You

A common three-word phrase in the Christian Vocabulary....**“Pray For Me.”**

In my opinion it is used too loosely and too frequently.

Many Christians have more confidence in someone else’s prayers than their own. I do not.

*But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, **pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.***

(Matthew 6:6 KJV)

Because of this verse, I rarely ask anyone else to pray for me.

But...IF I did want someone to pray for me...I can’t think of anyone I’d rather have pray for me than Jesus Himself.

What if I can show you, in the Bible, a very specific prayer that Jesus prayed for you that relates directly to much of what is going in the world RIGHT NOW?

The entire prayer is found in **John 17:1-20.**

“I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, ...

(John 17:9 NKJV)

Them, in the verse above, appears to be the original twelve disciples.

*“I do not pray for these alone, but also for **THOSE WHO WILL BELIEVE IN ME THROUGH THEIR WORD;*** **(John 17:20 NKJV)**

Who is Jesus praying for?

Are you a believer? How did you come to believe?

If you heard **John 3:16** and believed, then you became a believer through **John’s words.**

Jesus prayed for EVERYONE who would ever believe John 3:16!

So everyone who has ever believed on Jesus heard (directly or indirectly) through the words of that original group of disciples.

So whatever Jesus prayed for those in **John 17:9**, He prayed for you according to **John 17:20.**

So let’s find out exactly what He prayed.

*I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but **that thou shouldest KEEP THEM from the evil.*** **(John 17:15 KJV)**

KEEP: Greek Word -Tēreō - to guard from loss or injury

Keep them from the evil. **(John 17:15) (Guard them from loss or injury as a result of evil.)**

What evil?

John 17:15...Don’t take them OUT OF THE WORLD...but keep them from THE EVIL. (the evil that is in this world)

Jesus prayed for you, that your Father would KEEP you (Guard you from loss or injury) resulting from any and all evil that is in this world.

COVID – Terrorist Attacks – Failing Economy – (ANYTHING that brings loss or injury)