**Today I want us to look at the prayer of the Lord Jesus to the Father and see how the Son of God spoke to the father about glory!**

We Praise God for a great Bible Conference last week!

* We learned Having Joy in the Lord is important for our strength and growth!
* We learned that in all things to give thanks and to rejoice in the Lord!
* We learned that God is making His joy know to all mankind but the question was for us do we want it?

**The price of joy is twofold!**

1. Turning to God for the salvation of your soul by faith! This is to be a new man in Jesus!
2. Then, Turning to God with your obedience because His Salvation in your life and now seeing what the Lord is doing we go forward!

**This is the beginning of the Joy of the Lord!**

**We know that the joy of the Lord is our strength!**

In the passage of scriptures we see the joy that the Son of God had with the Father!

Then we see the Joy that God shares with His children, the Believer in the Son of God.

***How is glory and joy related?***

* Glory is who God is and Joy is who God is!

**God is King of glory!**

* Psa 24:8 “ Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

**God is Joy!**

* Psa 16:11 : Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in Thy presence is fullness of joy; at Thy right hand there are pleasures forevermore.

**John 17 – The Great high priestly prayer**

**A report of the past - what the Son of God had done.**

He had completed his mission!

* By glorifying the father 17:4
* By providing salvation, security, and service for the elect. 17:2,12,18
* By revealing the person of God to the people. 17:6,26
* By revealing the Word of God to people 17:8,14
* He was ready to die 17:19

**A recommendation for the future! – What the Father should do**

* Glorifying the Shepherd 17:1,5

**Edify the sheep**

* By keeping them 17:11
* By unifying them 17:11
* By filing them with joy 17:13
* By sanctifying them 17:17
* By perfecting them 17:23
* By someday receiving them 17:24
* By filling them with love 17: 26

**3 things I want us to see!**

1. **The Lord Jesus is the fullness of God with the Father!**

**The glory of Jesus as the Word of God**

* Joh\_1:14  And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

**The glory of God shared with the earth!**

* Luke\_2:14  Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

**The disciples saw the glory of Jesus in miracles**

* Joh\_2:11  This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

**The glory of the Lord Jesus after his suffering**

* Luk\_24:26  Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?

**The glory of glories reunited!**

* Joh\_17:5  And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.

1. **The need of man for God and His glory!**

**The shortness of man and the greatness of God!**

* Rom\_3:23  For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

**The shortness of man’s works and the greatness of grace!**

* Rom\_4:2  For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory; but not before God.

**The devil’s false glory!**

* Luk\_4:6  And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it

**The judgment on those that choice Satan’s false glory!**

* Luk\_9:26  For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels.

**The choice of man of what glory they will seek!**

* Joh\_7:18  He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.

1. **The Lord Jesus is calling us to come to Him!**

* **The richness of God’s grace by faith rejoicing in hope in God’s glory!** Rom\_5:2  By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.
* **Abraham’s strong faith giving glory to God! Rom\_4:20  He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;**
* **The faith that man needs to see the glory of Jesus**
* Joh\_11:40  Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?
* **The glory the Believer shares with God!** Joh\_17:22  And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:
* **The eternal glory of the Believer! Joh\_17:24 ….**