

John 17 (part 3)

20 Prayer for All Believers through Word of Sent Ones (vs 18)

21 **Trinitarian Unity in Him** - not just about Him (doctrine)

(Ep 1:10) that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him.

He is the Place of Unity (Dwelling Place Jn 14:2, 23, 15:4)

Worship (Ps 22:3) & Prayer (Mt 18:20) Together in Him

Result: Witness to World

22 His Glory (same) In Us Facilitates Trinitarian Unity (explain later with story)

23 **we are Perfected Together in this Dwelling Place** (Ephesians 4 plan)

(Ep 4:13-16) ¹³till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; ¹⁴that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, ¹⁵but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ—¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Witness: Manifest Father's Love (same Jn 15:9) - Shema experience (Eph 1:6)

26 **He Manifested the Father** (vs 6) **so we could Learn to Love** (Witness)

(Jn 13:34-35) ³⁴“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. ³⁵“By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Learning to Love like Jesus leads to His Fullness

(Ep 3:17-19) ¹⁷that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height—¹⁹to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

24-25 **Beholding Jesus' Glory Reveals the Father's Love** (vs 23) - **Transforms Us**

(2Co 3:18) But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Jn 17:21-22 Story - “I’m going to pour out My glory, and everyone will be wrong.”

Two Essential Revelations of the Trinity

1. Holiness of God - my first interpretation through men’s retreat experience

Principle: equal guilt (Jn 8:7), Isa 6:4 revelation (Isa 64:6)

2. Goodness of God (Stuart - more)

Principle: **His Glory is His Goodness** (vs 24)

(Ex 33:18-19) ¹⁸And he said, “Please, show me Your glory.” ¹⁹Then He said, “I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before you. I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.”

(Ex 34:6-7) ⁶And the LORD passed before him and proclaimed, “The LORD, the LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abounding in goodness and truth,
⁷“keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, ...”

“all wrong” = none of us have fully understood His Goodness

(Ro 2:3-4) ³And do you think this, O man, you who judge those practicing such things, and doing the same, that you will escape the judgment of God? ⁴Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?

passage describes someone who lacks both Essential Revelations

2nd Revelation, more than 1st, will Unify His Church (vs 22)

The Answer to Jesus' Prayer...

**His Church will Manifest His Fullness by Learning to Love like Him,
through Dwelling Together in Him, Beholding His Goodness.**