

"I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me."

John 17:20-23



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<u>Context</u> : This is the f scene at the last supper.					
In John 14, Jesus says,					
1. "Plenty of room for you in my Father's house."					
2. Phillip, "To see me is to see the Father God himself."					
3. To the disciples, "Don't worry, I'm sending you a Friend called					
the Holy Spirit to guide and empower you in truth."					
In John 15, Jesus says,					
1. I am the vine and you are b of mine.					
2. Because this is true, a part from me, you can do n					
3. "This is my command: L one another the way I loved you."					
In John 18, Jesus is a, interrogated by Annas then					
Caiaphas, then Pilate. In 19, crucified and in 20, r !					
In between John 14-16 & 18-20 is the most a dinner ever.					
I. The Problem of L Where do I belong?					
Fairview 1984-86					
The beginning of love is the will to let those we love be perfectly					
themselves, the resolution not to twist them to fit our own image.					
Thomas Merton					
II. We have a God who prays for us! What does Jesus pray?					
"Take courage; I have c the world!" John 16:33					
17:15, Not, of the world but guarded from the evil one.					
17:18, As Jesus received a m, Jesus gives us a m!					
17:11, We are to be as Jesus and the Father are!					
(21-23) Why? "So that the w may believe that you sent me."					
III. What is our current witness to the world?					
What does it mean for us to have a God interceding for us?					
How will you live differently knowing Jesus is praying for you?					
We are a community for whom Jesus prays.					
Action Steps: Pray for the family. Pray for the family.					
Read 1 Timothy 2:1-4 every day this week.					
Fast from s for the next seven days. Sing songs of love and unity for all people.					
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