

Gospel of John
[Jesus' Parting Prayer (Part 1) (John 17:1-5)]

Introduction

-Context/Occasion

-Length/Content

-Where Prayed/Who With

-Theme: The Mission of Jesus and His Followers

-Structure: Prayer for Himself (vs. 1-5); For the Disciples (v s. 6-19); For Later Believers (vs. 20-26)

I. The Occasion Affirmed (v. 1)

II. The Posture Assumed (v. 1)

III. The Person Addressed (v. 1)

IV. The Petition Expressed (vs. 1-5)

Practical Lessons

- 1) Posture in prayer isn't altogether unimportant.
- 2) Jesus' prayer is a model for prayer only to a point.
- 3) Get an eternal perspective on everything.
- 4) Behold the divine glory of Jesus!