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**The Gospel Of John**  
"The Real Lord's Prayer"  
John 17

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Introduction: John spent several chapters focused on the events leading up to Jesus' arrest.

1. Jesus is preparing them for that arrest and their future ministries.
2. In chapter 17, we have the conclusion of this preparation. It takes the form of a prayer.
3. That is important to recognize. As Jesus is about to experience the most stressful period in His life, in His disciples' lives, He prays!
4. Prayer is powerful.
  - This prayer enabled Jesus to endure the cross.
  - This prayer encouraged the disciples for the stressors ahead.
5. As we work through Jesus' prayer, we can learn some valuable lessons.

I. When Praying For Self

A. Timing

B. Focus

C. Purpose

II. When Praying For Others

A. Protection

B. Commitment

C. Unity

Conclusion: Not long after Jesus prayed (both here and in the garden), He was arrested, tried, condemned, and executed.

1. It's an outrageous account that provokes our sense of justice.
2. How did Jesus endure? This prayer played a major role!
3. In less than two months, the disciples will be on their own to continue the work of Christ.
4. In short order they turned the world upside down (Acts 17:6).
5. How was that possible? Again, this prayer played a major role!
6. So, what can we learn here?
  - To experience more of the power of God personally and corporately, we need more prayer!