

JOHN 17:1-5
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GLORY
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**I. THE REQUEST OF THE SON FOR RESTORATION OF THE FULL GLORY OF GOD II.
THE ACTIONS OF THE SONS RESULTING IN GLORY TO GOD**

GLORY =

- 1 . A PERSON
- 2 . A PLACE

PRE-INCARNATE GLORY - FOR CHRIST; FOR US PREPARED GLORY - FOR X; FOR US!

God's glory is both "INTRINSIC & DECLARATIVE. It is INTRINSIC in the same way that light and heat belong to the sun. We can no more withhold this glory from God than we can ignore the heat and light of the sun. **All of the universe declares the glory of God.**

God's glory is DECLARATIVE in that it is the glory that is rightly ascribed to him by his redeemed creatures and un-fallen angels. Those who fail to ascribe this glory to God shall one day fall before Him and answer to Him alone for their insolence. *LSC v. VII p. 172.*

17:1

"The hour is come"

THE HOUR OF SUFFERING AND SHAME WAS UPON HIM. THE HOUR WHEN SIN WOULD BE LAID ON THE INNOCENT LAMB. **YET HE PRAYED FOR GLORY!**

HOW MUCH MORE SO DOES THE CHURCH IN AMERICA NEED THIS TODAY.THE HOUR OF OUR SHAME IS UPON US. THE INNOCENT WILL SUFFER ALONGSIDE OF THE GUILTY, BUT, WE AS CHRIST, LOOK NOT AT THE THINGS OF THIS EARTH, BUT RATHER AT THE GLORY TO COME!. IS THE TRIBULATION UPON US? REJOICE IN GLORY!

II Corinthians 4:18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

The disciples would not fully comprehend the events of the hours to follow, even though Christ had told them of these things, **for** (. . . **for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.**) **John 7:39**

BUT NOW, AS **JOHN 12:23** POINTED OUT.THE HOUR IS COME, THAT THE SON OF MAN SHOULD BE GLORIFIED. **JN. 12:23**

John 17:1 These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:

"GLORIFY THY SON" IMPERATIVE TENSE - A COMMAND, YET RESPECTFUL!

V. 5 ELABORATES ON THIS GLORY - IT WAS THE GLORY . . .

WHICH I HAD WITH THEE BEFORE THE WORLD WAS. **John 17:5**

Phil 2:5-8 turn here –

Philip. 2:5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

Leaving His Glory for an instant in **The Eternity** that knows no time. Leaving Glory to enter the world of men regulated by the passage of time. Coming from Eternal Glory to momentary shame. . .

"**thought it not robbery**" - "a treasure to be clutched and retained at all hazards."

"**no reputation**" - emptied - not of any Godly attributes, - God cannot cease to be God, - but rather, He divested himself of His visible glory - He temporarily laid aside the glory He enjoyed as the Son of the trinity and took on the form of a humble servant.

John 17:1 & 5 are a RESTORATION TO HIS FORMER GLORY WHICH HE SEEKS.

THAT THIS REQUEST WAS GRANTED IS EVIDENCED BY P H I L . **2 : 9 - 1 1**

wherefore – (*on the basis of his humility in laying aside his glory*), God has given him a **name** (*common Hebrew title denoting office, rank, or dignity*)- THE NAME OF JESUS - savior! it is at this name that every knee shall bow. the one who humbled himself now has the name exalted above all other names. It is a super eminent exaltation, he has been raised to supreme majesty. raised as a man to the ultimate height of exaltation possessed by deity alone. this is the answer to his prayer - the name that is above every other name (Caesar - attributed as "god and son of god)

JESUS WAS CLEAR ON HIS ONENESS WITH GOD

John 8:58

Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, BEFORE ABRAHAM WAS, I AM.

IF THIS IS UNCLEAR

John 10:30 I and my Father are one.

AND HE ACCEPTED WORSHIP AS GOD - man born blind.

John 9:35-38 Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God? He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him? **And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee.** And he said, **Lord, I BELIEVE. AND HE WORSHIPPED HIM.**

JESUS, THE HUMBLE SERVANT, PRAYED FOR THE RESTORATION OF HIS FULL, PREINCARNATE, INTRINSIC GLORY. AND GOD ANSWERED AND GAVE HIM A NAME ABOVE EVERY OTHER NAME. THIS IS THE PRECISE CHARACTER OF THE GLORY CHRIST PRAYED FOR!

BUT FIRST CAME THE SUFFERING, THEN THE GLORY!

WE WANT IT THE OTHER WAY AROUND. WE WANT THE GLORY, AND IF WE LIKE IT, WE MIGHT CONSIDER SUFFERING!

BUT -

It is a faithful saying: For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with Him: **II Timothy 2:11**

AS CHILDREN OF GOD!

AND IF CHILDREN, THEN HEIRS; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be THAT WE SUFFER WITH HIM, THAT WE MAY BE ALSO GLORIFIED TOGETHER. Romans 8:17

JESUS DESIRED GLORY - BUT NOT A GLORY THAT WAS WITHOUT COST!

WE LIKEWISE ARE ENVOURAGED TO DESIRE GLORY !

Colossians 3:1 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. **WHEN CHRIST, WHO IS OUR LIFE, SHALL APPEAR, THEN SHALL YE ALSO APPEAR WITH HIM IN GLORY.**

Matthew 6:33 **But seek ye first the kingdom of God**, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

OH - BUT WE ALREADY POSSES THE THINGS OF GOD. THEY ARE OURS IN CHRIST.

JESUS CHRIST IS THE "LORD OF GLORY"

I Corinthians 2:8 Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified **the LORD OF GLORY.**

YET IN HIS HUMANITY - HE FELL ON HIS KNEES BEFORE THE FATHER AND MADE ENTREATY THAT HE MIGHT HAVE AGAIN HIS RIGHTFUL GLORY.

HOW MUCH MORE DO WE NEED TO PRAY DAILY FOR A GLIMPSE OF THE GLORY THAT IS OURS, YET WHICH WE ARE CURRENTLY SO LACKING IN!

FROM DAILY BREAD - DEC. 19, 1991

Imagine the daily grind that must have faced the mother of evangelist Paul Rader. She raised 10 children. Here is how he described his growing up years when things got tough. "I have seen mother so perplexed! She would roll that gingham apron up and say 'Paul, watch the potatoes and don't let them burn.'.She would then leave the room for a few minutes. One day Paul decided to find out where his mother went when the little Raders got to her. He followed her to her room, where she got down on her knees and prayed,"Jesus, I want to meet you. I am getting nervous, and it is kind of hard; but you are tender and understand the whole business.**"**

Then she got up, went back downstairs, and resumed her work - singing as she went. Rader commented.

"it is a mighty sweet thing when a mother of 10 children can come back with the worry all CHASED AWAY."

Philippians 4:6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

AS WE SEEK THOSE THINGS THAT ARE ABOVE, WE WILL DO AS CHRIST DID IN THAT WE WILL "GLORIFY THE FATHER."

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Philippians 2:10-11 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;

11 And that EVERY TONGUE SHOULD CONFESS THAT JESUS CHRIST IS LORD, TO THE GLORY OF GOD THE FATHER.

HOW DO WE BRING GLORY TO GOD?

1. CONFESSION OF JESUS AS OUR LORD! NOW!

2. OUR PRAYERS

John 14:13 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the FATHER MAY BE GLORIFIED IN THE SON. IT IS OUR DUTY AS WELL AS OUR PRIVILEGE TO GLORIFY THE FATHER!

MAL. 1:6

"A son honoreth his father and a servant his master; If I then be a father, where is my honor?"

3. LETTING OUR LIGHT SHINE

Matthew 5:16 LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE BEFORE MEN, THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD WORKS, AND GLORIFY YOUR FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN.