

Recap

- Preparing 11 for His departure
- Longest recorded prayer of Jesus
- Prompted by disciples confession that ‘we believe You came from God’
- Immediate context- disciples will scatter when Jesus is arrested
- Pastoral- Shepherd praying for His sheep



Three petitions of Jesus

Protection from the evil one

- Spiritual protection, not physical protection
- Protected by God's name = God Himself
 - Nothing outside of us can separate us from God (Rom 8.38-39)
- Purpose: unity of disciples; remember they are all about to scatter

Three petitions of Jesus

Sanctification

- To be made holy
- To be set apart for God's use
- Accomplished by 'the truth' – the message Jesus has been proclaiming- that He is the Messiah sent by God to redeem humanity
- Jesus set Himself apart so we could be made holy

Three petitions of Jesus

That we may be one

- Relational unity: all adopted into same family w/one Father; our relationships with one another are grounded in our common relationship w/Jesus
- Missional unity: all committed to continuing work of Jesus
- Visible sign: John 13.35- By this everyone will know you are My disciples, if you love one another

Surrender to Prayers of Jesus

- Jesus is currently praying for us (Rom 8.34 and Heb 7.25)
- Yield to those prayers vs kicking against the goads
- Where is your biggest pushback?
 - Unity
 - Being set apart for mission
 - Spiritual protection vs physical protection

