

*"God's Gift of Glory"
(John 17:20-26)*

John 17:20-26 NIV

"My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you 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. I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

"Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.

"Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them."

*What do we most need?
God's Gift to our need
What does it give us?*

We most need _____ (17:22-23)

*Traditionally sought through: Parents and 'tribe'
Currently sought through: Individually choice*

God's Gift is GOSPEL LOVE ('even as. . .')

*God doesn't love us as much as we deserve
God loves us as much as _____ deserves*

What does GOSPEL LOVE GIVE us?

Edwards on love – 'can't live without it, miserable with it'

*Want to be loved FOR OUR OWN SAKE
Want to be able to _____ it
Want to love _____
Want to love so others are HAPPY
Want to love _____*

*We only get this _____
What we look at is what we love
Through God's gifts, His glorious love can be yours*