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for Today's Challenges

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Today's
Wisdom
Thought is:



Ephesians 6:18 — And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

Mark 1:35 — Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed.

John 17:1-5 —After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. ² For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. ³ Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. ⁴ I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. ⁵ And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

1st / In His Priestly Prayer to His Father, Jesus Prayed for Himself First

John 17:6-9 — ⁶ "I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you! ⁸ For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew it was certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. ⁹ I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, they are yours."

2nd / So here Jesus moves from praying for himself to praying for his DISCIPLES.

John 17:20-23 — "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, ²¹ 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. ²² I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— ²³ 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.

3rd / Finally, Jesus was praying for the people who would come to Christ through the evangelistic ministry of his Disciples — His Followers!

Matthew 28:19 — Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Psalm 78:5,6 — ⁵ He decreed statutes for Jacob and established the law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach their children,
⁶ so the next generation would know them, even the children yet to be born, and they in turn would tell their children.