

A Divine Community: Jesus Prays for Unity

Parent Guide



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Verse to Memorize:

I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.

John 17:20-23

Key Takeaway:

During this series your children will be learning about how the triune God-Father, Spirit, Son- exists in diversity and perfect oneness and unity and Jesus desires for his people to do the same. In John 17 we will see the heart of Jesus for his people as he prays for them. We will see his deep desire for Christian Unity and help us, and our kids, learn to look beyond ourselves and towards Divine Community.

Jesus Prays For Unity:

This series is an opening to talking about what Divine Community looks like as the Lord intended, and the why behind a discussion about Divine Community. As we spend time in John 17, drawing near to God and hearing how he prays for others, we see how God has a heart for diverse people and cultures while longing for unity within the trinity as well as unity within the body.

Other Resources:

God's Very Good Idea by Trillia Newbell (comes in board book version and coloring version)

God Made Me and You by Shai Linne

Creative God, Colorful You by Trillia Newbell

1,2,3 God Made Me by B&H Kids Editorial Staff