

# WEEK 4: WHAT WOULD JESUS PRAY?

## Jesus

*"I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one . . . so that the world will believe you sent me. – John 17:20-21*

## Read: John 17:4, 6-24

In the 1990s, a movement took the Christian world by storm. People wore "WWJD" bracelets and put WWJD stickers on their cars. The premise was simple: before you take an action, ask yourself "What would Jesus do?" Many Christians found help and hope by reminding themselves to be like Jesus, to follow in his footsteps.

As we think about prayer, we could ask ourselves a similar question: What would Jesus pray? Fortunately for us, we have the words of some of Jesus' prayers recorded in Scripture. Jesus was well aware that he was near the end of his life on earth. What did he feel was important to pray?

Believe it or not, Jesus prayed for us in these final moments! In John 17:20, Jesus asks the Father to unite all believers as one so that the world would see Jesus through us and believe. This is one of the many things that was heavy on his heart as he faced his death. He prayed for all who would believe. He prayed for his eternal family. He prayed for protection and for joy.

How might you pray like Jesus this week? Pray for people to experience God's will and be one with all believers through Christ.

## QUESTIONS TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Who in your life needs to experience the love of God? As you pray for them, pray for opportunities to share Christ's love with them.
2. Is there any place in your life where you feel disunity or disconnected? How might you begin to ask God to bring healing and unity?