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The Triangle of Love

Dear Friend,

While Jesus was on this earth, there was probably no greater prayer of intimacy that was prayed by Him than the one in John 17. Jesus prayed these words at the last supper in front of His disciples. His prayer not only included His will for those disciples, but for us, the Church of 2021.

Joh 17:20 Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

Joh 17:21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, *art* in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

Joh 17:22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:

Joh 17:23 I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

I like to see these verses as ones that describe the “Triangle of Love.” Jesus was asking the Father to establish in us the same relationship that He and the Father had together. He told the Father that if this was accomplished, the whole world would believe that He had been sent by the Father.

This is so amazing to think about when you realize our part in the evangelism of the world that is established through our relationship with Jesus and God our Father. It is first established through the oneness of the born-again experience, but it is not meant to stop there. This beautiful unity with God begins at salvation, but it is then exemplified through an ongoing fellowship of intimacy.

There was no doubt in Jesus’ earthly ministry that He had been sent from the Father. The miracles and acts of love were proof of that every day. But now He is speaking of another verification, another sign that He came from the Father. He is actually saying that the world will look at us and see the fellowship of the Father and Christ in us, and that relationship would convince them that Christ came from above!

However, this kind of witness before the world does not happen through a casual relationship with Christ and the Father. There was nothing casual in Jesus’ fellowship with the Father. When we read Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, every page radiates with the essence of His continual fellowship with the Father. Jesus prayed that that same fellowship would be established in us.

Jesus prayed the prayer in John 17 out loud in front of His disciples. This was not a private prayer. He prayed it so that it could be recorded by John and recounted to us for the purpose of knowing God's intent for fellowship.

This prayer was teaching us that the heart of the Father was to have a relationship with us that was no less than what He and Christ had shared. Jesus could not pray anything to the Father that was not already His perfect will. And just to think that this prayer being answered in us would evangelize the world is so amazing.

This has always been the heart of God from the beginning of creation. His desire was to have the same fellowship with His created sons that He had with His eternal son from the beginning. This is why Jesus had to become the son of man (the Christ) as well.

Joh 17:3 And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

Joh 17:4 I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.

Joh 17:5 And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.

The treasures in the Ark of the Covenant could not satisfy the heart of God. Tens of thousands of animal sacrifices in the Old Testament could not satisfy the heart of God. Ordinances and laws could not satisfy the longing in the heart of God. Only the intimacy that comes through our sonship and fellowship can satisfy God's heart and complete the "Triangle of Love."

Through the deliberate action of seeking God daily, we reinvest ourselves back into this beautiful triangle. It seems apparent from Christ's prayer that through this relationship, there will come a testimony of glory and power to the world that cannot be denied.

Miracles, signs, and wonders are not the core of this intimacy. They are the fruit of a life lived inside this intimacy. Supernatural provision is not the core of this intimacy, but it is the fruit of a life lived inside of this intimacy.

God has no greater desire than to see the evangelism of the lost by His Church today. He desires this beautiful triangle of fellowship to be established millions of times over. Revival is not coming! Revival is Now! The blind will see. The lame will walk. The miracles in the gospels and the book of Acts are on schedule with this outpouring, but it is all because the greatest harvest of souls that the world has ever seen is here. My prayer is that the world believes that Christ was sent from the Father because they see the fellowship that we are having with Him.

Your gift each month is an absolute testimony of your heart for this purpose. I can't express through words how much I appreciate you helping me share this gospel. It is not me doing this alone, but us together.

Loving Him and you more and more every day!

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