

Prayer of The Church

Lord's Prayer (Traditional Version)

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SERMON TEXT: John 12:27-33 (NIV)

Vs. 27 – Now My heart is troubled, and what shall I say? Father, save Me from this hour? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour,

Vs. 28 - Father glorify Your Name!

Then a voice came from heaven, I have glorified it, and will glorify it again.

Vs. 29 – The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to Him.

Vs. 30 – Jesus said, “This voice was for your benefit, not mine”.

Vs. 31 – Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out.

Vs. 32 – But I, when I AM lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself.

Vs. 33 – He said this to show the kind of death He was going to die.

GREETING: Jesus says: Come to ME, all you who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. rest for your souls. (Matt. 11:28-29 -NIV)

What is your purpose in life?

Or let me word it another way. Why do you exist? Why are you here in this world?

From our own human mind and heart we can come up with a list of what our purpose in life is.

That purpose can vary based upon individual wants and desires

Someone might have a simple purpose of working to put food on the table.

Someone else might have as their purpose to make it up the corporate ladder.

And the list can go on.

As Christians we know that God our Creator has given us purpose for our life as God directs us in His Holy Word, the Bible. Some of those passages include the following:

I Corinthians 10:31 NIV – “Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do it all **for the glory of God.**”

Colossians 3:17 RSV – “And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.”

God has also given us the Moral Law – The 10 Commandments - which we obey as a way to thank and praise God for all that He has given us. [We do not obey the 10 Commandments to earn our salvation. Our Salvation has already been won by Christ Jesus on the cross. We obey God as we say thank you to God.]

The 10 Commandments are summed up in the words of our Lord Jesus: “**Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the 1st and greatest commandment. The 2nd is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself.**” (Matthew 22:37-38 - NIV)

As Christians we have purpose in our life to live for God’s Glory and Honor.
As Christians we live to serve God in all that we say and do.

This morning, as we look at the purpose for which Jesus came into this world, we see what it is because Jesus fulfilled His purpose, which is what motivates us to live for God.

The purpose for which Jesus came is spoken of in these verses:

Vs. 27 – Now My heart is troubled, and what shall I say? Father, save Me from this hour? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour, Vs. 28 - Father glorify Your Name!

Jesus came into the world to bring glory to the name God The Father.

How would Jesus bring Glory to the Name of God the Father?

Vs. 31 – Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out.

Jesus would defeat Satan – The prince of this world.

In the garden of Eden, Satan led Adam and Eve into sin and with the beginning of sin came death and all of life’s problems.

Jesus came to correct the problem, by defeating Satan.

How would Jesus correct the problems which Satan brought into this world?

Jesus corrected the problem of sin and death which Satan brought into the world, when He was lifted up on the cross of Calvary.

Vs. 32 – But I, when I AM lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself.

Vs. 33 – He said this to show the kind of death He was going to die.

When the Lord Jesus gave up His life on the cross of Calvary, He was bringing Glory and Honor to God the Father:

Vs. 28 - Father glorify Your Name!

Then a voice came from heaven, I have glorified it, and will glorify it again.

Just as certainly as Jesus died for the sin of the World, Jesus would be glorified three days later at His resurrection and 40 days later at His Ascension into heaven where Jesus rules all things with His Almighty and Powerful Word.

Heb 12:2 NIV – Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of our faith, Who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

1Pe 3:22 NIV – Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

Jesus came with the purpose to die on the cross of the sin of the World, so that we have Salvation and purpose in living for Him here and now, and forever in heaven.

Embrace the purpose which God has given you as you - Tell others about the Salvation that Christ Jesus won for you as you live your life for Him. (Matthew 28:19-20) AMEN

THEME: Christ's Purpose = Our Salvation.