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Sunday, August 19, 2018

**“WHEN JESUS PRAYED”**

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Today we are going to talk about the High Priestly prayer of Jesus recorded in John 17 but our big goal is to actually pray. When it comes to prayer, most Christians talk about it, study it, lament our failures in it, question its usefulness, and neglect its power. The one thing we don't do well or often or faithfully is to actually pray.

This morning we will share what Jesus prayed in John 17 and then, individually and in small groups, we will take time to pray. We've been learning a lot about prayer as a church because we've been actively seeking opportunities to actually pray for people in specific ways. Our outreach to our city is built on a foundation of caring about our city through prayer.

Today we will pray together for our church, for one another, and for God's work outside our walls. There is great power from God when His people gather to pray.

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