

## John 17:20-26 Questions

1. (Ice-breaker) If you could have one living person pray for you, who would it be and why?
2. (John 17:20-23) How do you think the unity of all believers is like the unity of the Father and the Son in the Godhead, and how is it unlike that divine unity?
3. (John 17:23) What do you think “perfect” unity looks like? How might we cultivate a more complete unity at CGS, in Durham, in the PCA, in the USA, and in the world?
4. (John 17:21, 23) Jesus prays for the unity of all believers, SO THAT the world may believe that God sent Jesus. How do you think the unity of all believers would persuade the world that Jesus was sent from God? Can you think of something you should do this week to promote unity among believers that might have an impact on non-believers? When and how will you go about it?
5. (17:23, 24, 26) The Father loved the Son before the creation of the world. The Son wants his disciples not only to be in him but also to be with him. When have you been most sure that God loves YOU?
6. (17:25-26) How many times do you see “know/known” in these two verses? How does truth impact our quest for unity today? Does it make our quest simpler or more complicated (read II John 3, 7-10)?
7. (Conclusion) David’s sermon in a sentence for this passage was, “Remember how deeply loved you are by God in Christ, so that you will pray and work for the greater visible unity of God’s family, Christ’s body, at CGS, in Durham and around the world.” Which of the following verbs in that sentence is the most significant for you this week by way of applying John 17:20-26: *remembering* God’s love, *praying* for greater visible unity, or *working* for greater visible unity, and which context will you focus on: CGS, Durham, or the world?