## The Heart of Christ — the message of the Upper Room Discourse (John 13-17)

"...having loved His own who were in the world, He love them to the end" (John 13:1.)

## **SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

The Praying Savior – John 17

Seven Characteristics of the Church According to Jesus - Unity (John 17:20-23)

(to be used to as a starting point for further application of the truths delivered)

- 1. Share your thoughts concerning the following statement: our practical experience of unity among one another, and our visible manifestation of unity to our community and to our world is only as strong, is only as convincing and will only have the level of impact as each one of us is committed to living our lives more and more according to the faith. How is this true?
- 2. How is "perfectly" in the definition of biblical unity to be understood? How can we do this on this side of glory? How are we unable to do this on this side of glory? A definition: Biblical unity is knowing and living out perfectly the will of God to the glory of God.
- 3. How is it that believers might forget that they are called to "unity"? What makes you forget about unity?
- 4. How is the following statement biblical? "Our union with one another is to mirror the union that exists between the Father and the Son."

5. What are the two stated goals of unity? What are you doing to attain to those goals?

Other thoughts: