

Rev. Melissa Dunlap November 27, 2016 Planting, Part 2 John 17:6-26

1. An invitation to

John 17:6-11 "I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. 7 Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. 8 For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. 9 I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. 10 All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. 11 I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one.

2. An invitation to

John 17:18-23 As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. 19 For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified. 20 "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, 21 that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. 22 I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—23 I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

3. An invitation to

John 17:24-26 "Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.25 "Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. 26 I have made you[e] known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them."

My Takeaway:



Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!

- 1. We are a community for whom Jesus prays. What does that mean to you? What risks might you be willing to take, knowing that Jesus prays for you?
- 2. Where did you see God at work this week?
- 3. How can the Holy Spirit empower and encourage you? What might you do if you knew God is with you?
- 4. Please join the Vine community in prayer for launch Sunday on January 8th, for the launch team and friends who are diligently working to be ready, for the community that does not yet know Jesus.

If you'd like to talk personally and confidentially w/ Pastor Todd about your relationship with Christ, please email *pastortodd@thevineva.org* to set up an appointment.