

Crystallization-Study – Gospel of John

The Glorification of Christ by God with His Glory

The Gospel of John Being Composed of Two Sections

- The first section is from 1:1 to 12:19.
 - Tells us what Christ is and what Christ would do.
 - Reveals Christ's incarnation, earthly living, and ministry in His humanity.
- The second section is from 12:20 to 20:29.
 - Unveils that Christ is to be glorified by God with His glory.
 - Unveils the issue of His glorification through death and resurrection, as the many grains produced by the one grain.

God Himself Expressed

- The glory of God is God Himself expressed. When God appears in His glory, we are attracted, charmed, and captivated by Him.

The Sonship to Express God in His Fullness

- God the Father has given His glory to the Son, and this glory is the sonship to express God in His fullness.

The Glory of the Father Being Concealed in His Humanity

- The glory of the Father was concealed in the shell of Christ's flesh.
- He glorified the Father by manifesting Him in His earthly living and ministry.
- The Son prayed that the Father would glorify His name, and the Father answered Him, "I have both glorified it and will glorify it again"
- The Son has given the Father's glory to express the Father in His sonship to His believers, who are the many sons of God and share the same divine sonship with Him.

Dying to Produce Many Grains

- The Son, as the grain of wheat, expected that He would die to have His shell of humanity broken that His divine glory might be released with His divine life to produce many grains.

- The **many grains** are the **many believers** as His **increase** for the constituting of His Body for the glorification of the Father.

The Hour for Him to be Glorified by the Father

- At His last entry into Jerusalem under the exaltation of the people of Israel, some Greeks came to exalt Him, but He told them that that was the hour for Him **not to be exalted by man** but to be **glorified by the Father**, that is, to die to have His divine glory and life released in His resurrection.
 - The Son was **crucified** to have His **human shell broken** and His **divine glory and life released** in His resurrection for the dispensing of His divine life to His believers with which they could glorify the Father also.
 - Because the Son's human shell was broken, the Father was **released for His glorification**.

The Issues of the Glorification of Christ

- The Father's **house**, the **vine**, and the **child**, which **imply the Body of Christ**, are all the issues of this glorification of Christ through His death unto resurrection.
- God is **glorified in Christ** and **in the church** in the church age.
- When the believers as the branches **bear much fruit**, the Father is glorified.
- The believers who **suffer with Christ** in this age will be glorified in the kingdom age, that is, will reign with Him as co-kings.
- Eventually, all of God's chosen people will participate in **the glory of the New Jerusalem**, that is, will be glorified with the glory of God for eternity.

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