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- INT. *John 16:32-33.
 v.32 Jesus predicted HIS arrest and their desertion.
 33 Jesus promised them PEACE in the midst of war!
 John ch. 17: The real Lord's Prayer. Our study.

I. CHRIST'S PRAYER FOR UNITY.

- A. V. 1-5. Jesus prays for His old glory back!
 B. V. 6-8. Joy that the Apostles have come to recognize Him as Divine, & Heaven-sent!
 C. V. 9-19. The Apostles have left the world and desire to be UNITED with Heaven. ^{9-11,}
_{15-16.}
 D. V. 20-23. Jesus prays for the Divine fish-net to gather all God's creation together in ONE NET!
 1. Takes a common spirit! II Tim. 2:15.
 Start with Christians agreeing!!!!!! **TV!** ?
 a. Ill. Study: John 14:1-3. Heaven-Church
 b. Ill. Study: Unpardonable Sin. 1 ans.!!
 c. GIFT!
of H.S! **Note:** Only human stubbornness, pride or self-will will keep us from a oneness!!
 Goal: I Cor. 12:13. Love, study, unite!

- E. There are Rewards in Christian Unity!
 1. V. 24. Be with Jesus. In Heaven!!
 Mark 16:19. Heb. 8:1. Where His glory is!
 2. V. 25. Assurance of Eternal Life by knowing the Father THROUGH the Son!!
 3. V. 26. The Presence of the Spirit of God's love within the redeemed.
 4. Another: The great privledge of Prayer!
Ill. J. Edgar Hoover quote: "The spectacle of a nation praying is more awe-inspiring than the explosion of an atomic bomb!
 The FORCE of prayer is greater than any possible-combination of human-controlled powers, because prayer is man's greatest means of tapping the infinite resources of God." (Mead. P. 341.)

INV: Unity and Inner Spiritual Strength is Christ's Wish and Prayer for each of us:
 *Eph. 3:14-21. Acts 2:38

Does He have His WISH in your life? Lk. 13:3.

Fellowship!
COMFORT!
STRENGTH!
COMMUNION!