

Sermon notes: January 21, 2024

The Importance Of The Fishbowl

Passage: John 17:6-12

Jesus Prays for His Disciples

⁶ "I have revealed you^[a] 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^[b] your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by^[c] that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled.

We Belong To God

Genesis 2:18 ¹⁸ The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."

Malachi 3:17 ¹⁷ "On the day when I act," says the LORD Almighty, "they will be my treasured possession. I will spare them, just as a father has compassion and spares his son who serves him.

Ephesians 1:5 ⁵ he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—

We Are Protected By God

Implications