

SELAH-GRAM

Sey'-law-gram
worshippers.net - webletter

Greetings!

Thanks for opening this weeks SelahGram. Karyn and I pray it stirs your focus and priorities.

Selah--please pause and ponder.

June 29, 2007



Did Jesus Miss the Point?



John 17 contains Jesus final documented prayer and thoughts before His crucifixion. He ends His Jn.17 prayer for the Church and for His earthly ministry, with an all important synopsis. In His final words and directives He prays, *Father, as You have invested in me, I have invested in them... I want them to spiritually be **where I am.***

Why? Vs.24 offers a great window into our purpose and God's intent. "***That they may behold the glory!***"

This is Jesus' big moment. He has the platform for final closing arguments. You might expect Him to say something like, "*I've equipped and anointed them that they may go into all the world and preach*" or "*...that they may love their neighbor as themselves.*" You would think Jesus' concluding instruction would be something like, "*...that they would speak to mountains and cast them into the sea.*"

Although "*going*" and "*doing*" are certainly worthy actions, Jesus takes this defining and conclusive moment to emphasize a **greater purpose**. He chooses not to pray for our "*horizontal expression,*" but rather our "*vertical connection.*" This precious connection to God's glory is what we were born for-- the "*horizontal*" is to simply be a reflection of that "*vertical*" connection. Selah.

Pursuing HIS Presence,

Supporting Thoughts

Joh 17:22 Weymouth

And the glory which Thou hast given me I have given them... **24** Father, those whom Thou hast given me--I desire that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see the glory.

Joh 17:22 MSG

The same glory you gave me, I gave them... **24** Father, I want those you gave me To be with me, right where I am, So they can see my glory, the splendor you gave me.

There is a purpose greater

Jim

worshippers.net



Visit our web site for more info
on current Jim Burgdorf
Ministries activities.

than *going and doing*. Our
principal purpose is
**personally and regularly
connecting to God's glory!**

Jim Burgdorf
Ministries PO Box
93463 Southlake, TX
76092

Selahgrams
Quick-link