

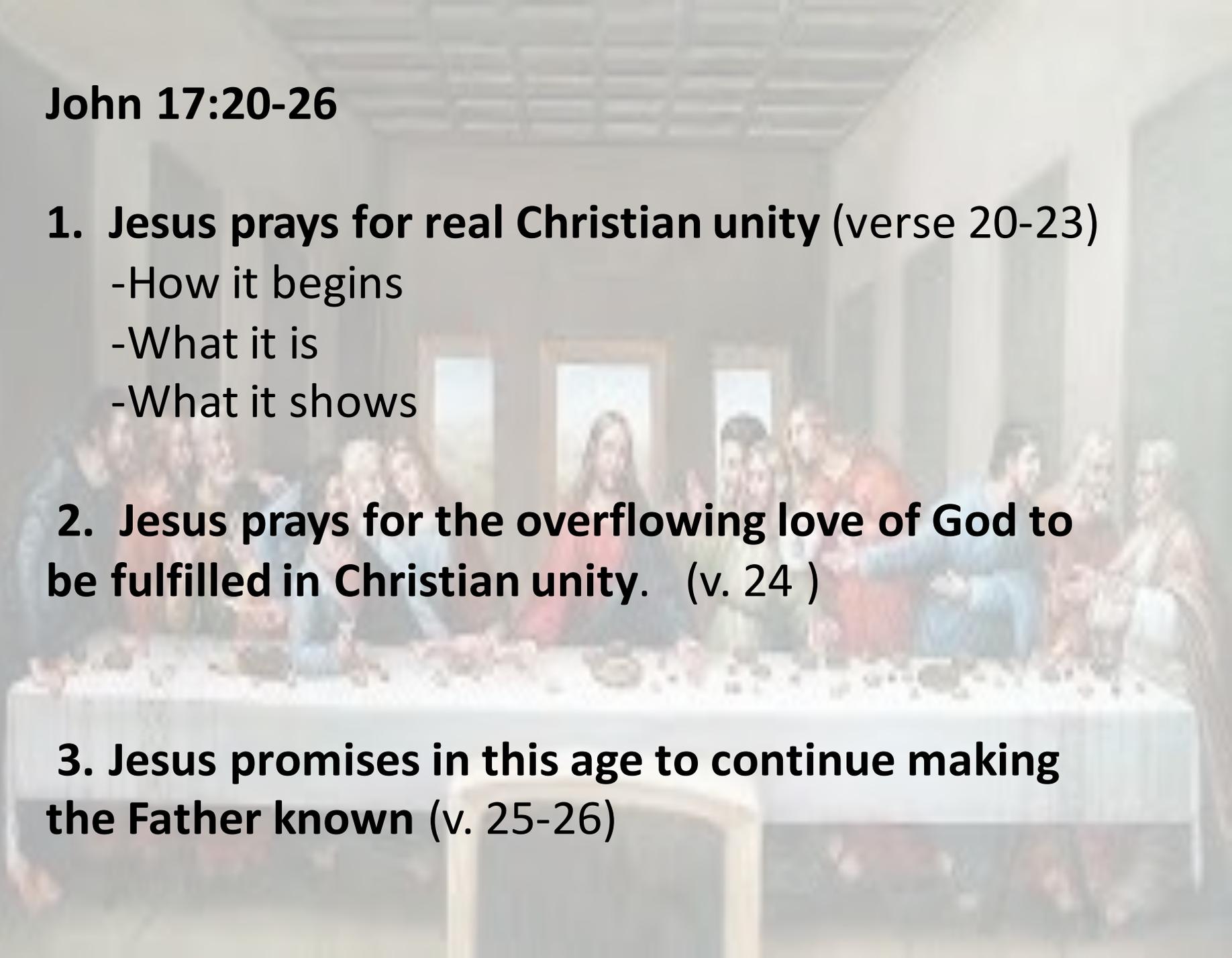
John 17:20-26

1. Jesus prays for real Christian unity (verse 20-23)

- How it begins
- What it is
- What it shows

2. Jesus prays for the overflowing love of God to be fulfilled in Christian unity. (v. 24)

3. Jesus promises in this age to continue making the Father known (v. 25-26)

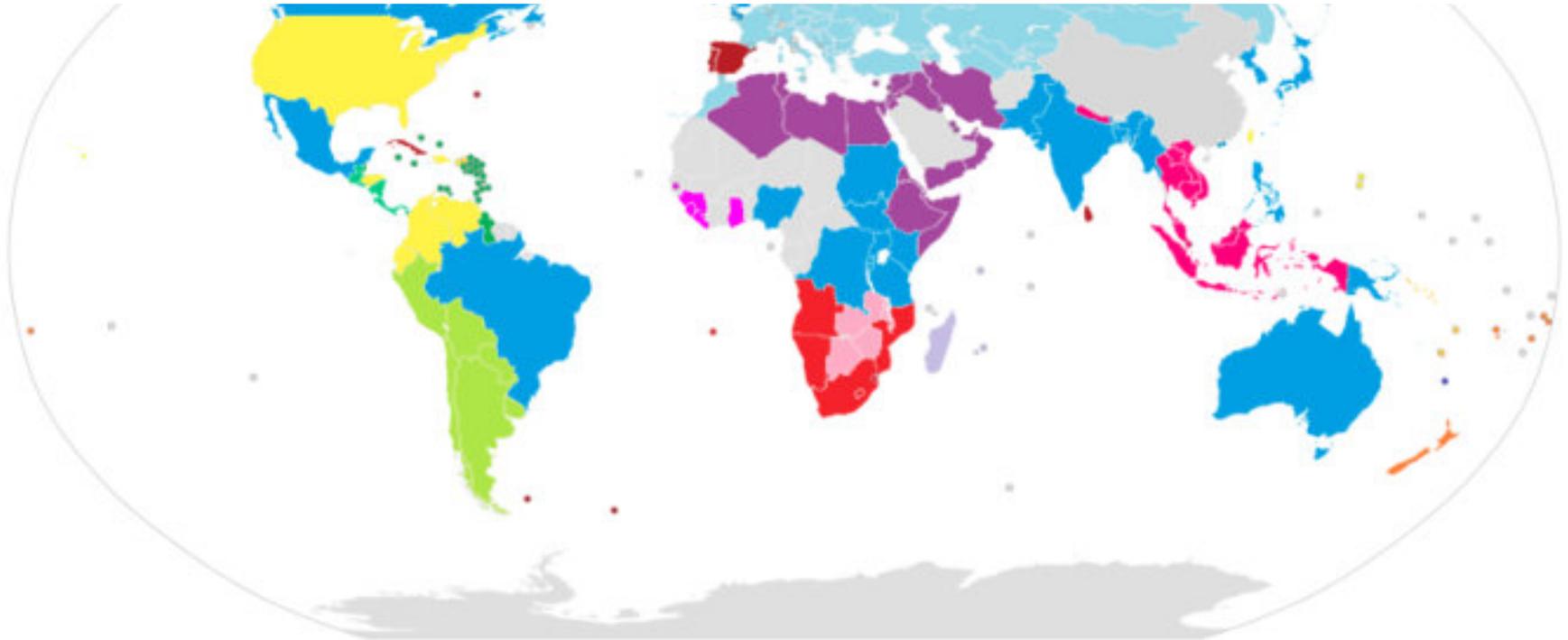


Anglican Instruments of Unity

- Archbishop of Canterbury
- Primates Meeting
- Anglican Consultative Council (ACC)
- Lambeth Conference



Anglican Communion

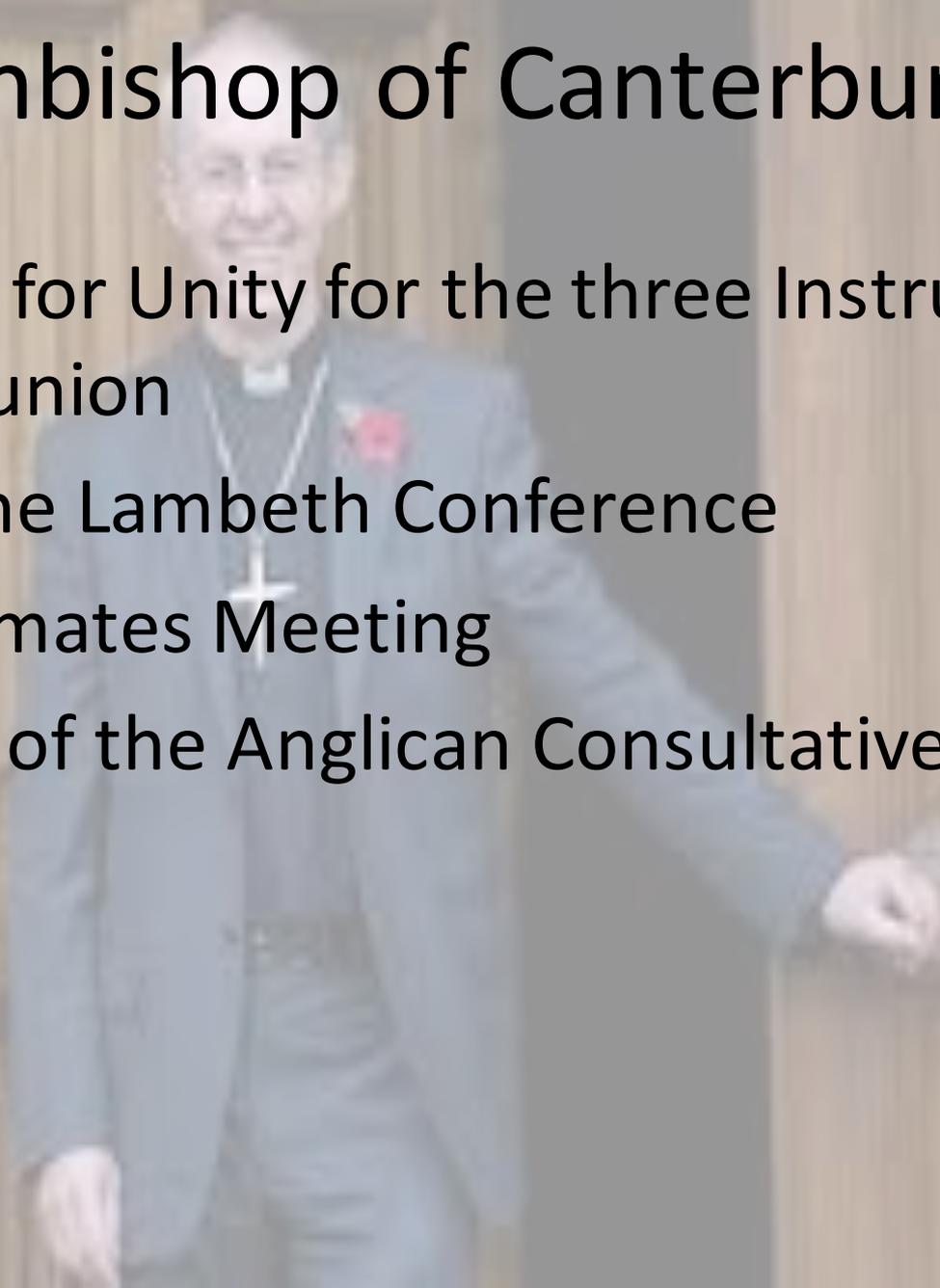


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| ■ Autonomous churches | ■ Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East |
| ■ Episcopal Church of the United States | ■ Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean |
| ■ Church in the Province of the West Indies | ■ Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia |
| ■ Anglican Church in Central America | ■ Church of the Province of Melanesia |
| ■ Anglican Church of the Southern Cone of America | ■ Diocese in Europe of the Church of England |
| ■ Anglican Church of Southern Africa | ■ Extra-provincial to the Archbishop of Canterbury |
| ■ Church of the Province of Central Africa | ■ Church of the Province of South East Asia |
| ■ Church of the Province of West Africa | ■ No organized Anglican presence |

Note that the Church of Ireland serves both Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland, the Episcopal Church of the Sudan serves both Sudan and South Sudan and the Anglican Church of Korea serves South Korea and, theoretically, North Korea. Indian Anglicanism

Archbishop of Canterbury

- The focus for Unity for the three Instruments of Communion
- He calls the Lambeth Conference
- Chairs Primates Meeting
- President of the Anglican Consultative Council



Primates Meeting

- Established in 1978 as an opportunity for “leisurely thought, prayer and deep consultation” and has met regularly since.
- The importance of these meetings has increase markedly since 2003.
- In their January 2016 meeting the primates agreed to sanction the Episcopal Church USA

Lambeth Conference

- All bishops in Anglican Communion meet every 10 years
- Serves a collaborative and consultative function and not a governing body because the Anglican Communion is an international association of autonomous national and regional churches.
- Expresses "the mind of the communion" on issues of the day.
- First met in 1867 because of Canadian request.

GAFCON 2008 Jerusalem

A movement for unity begins



Jerusalem Declaration

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The image shows the interior of a church with a high, vaulted ceiling and a large, arched window at the front. The pews are filled with people, and the atmosphere is bright and open. The text "2009" is centered in the upper half of the image.

2009

St. John's joins ANiC

A large group of Anglican clergy members, including bishops and priests, are standing in a long line outdoors. They are wearing traditional white and red vestments. The background shows a building with a tiled roof and palm trees, suggesting a tropical or subtropical location. The scene is brightly lit, indicating it is daytime.

2009

GAFCON and Fellowship of Confessing Anglicans representing **35 million** active Anglicans around the world, give formal recognition to ACNA and its orders, welcoming it as a full partner province.

GAFCON 2013 Nairobi

Deepening commitment to God's mission





Nairobi Communique

gafcon.org

First Priority: Make Disciples

This means that our movement must be committed to —

- **Evangelising** areas of our world where clear gospel witness has become obscured or lost and bringing the gospel to unreached peoples.

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- **Supporting** genuine gospel initiatives, recognising that there are times when the maintenance of structures can constrain the proclamation of the gospel.

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Guarding the gospel. We shall continue publicly to expose any false gospel that is not consistent with apostolic teaching and clearly to articulate the gospel in the church and in the world.

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Second Priority: Deepen Discipleship

- We must keep stressing that our identity is primarily found in Christ rather than in national, ethnic or tribal attachments.. In addition, there are many pressures on Christians today which require a degree of maturity in order to withstand them. These include **aggressive secularism... militant Islamism... and seductive syncretism** which introduces supposedly alternative approaches to God and thereby denies the uniqueness of Christ.

Third Priority: Gospel Transformation

- We must witness to the transforming effect of the gospel in working for the transformation of society, so that the values of the eternal Kingdom can be seen here and now. We therefore believe that it is right to engage in the public arena with gentleness and respect

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Nairobi communique

The gospel alone has the power to transform lives. As the gospel is heard, the Holy Spirit challenges and convicts of sin, and points to the love of God expressed in his Son, Jesus Christ. The sheer grace of God in setting us free from sin through the cross of Christ leads us into the enjoyment of our forgiveness and the desire to lead a holy life. This enables the relationship with God that Jesus makes possible to flourish. Moreover, just as individual lives can be transformed, so can the life of churches. We therefore commit ourselves and call on our brothers and sisters throughout the Communion to join in rediscovering the power of the gospel and seeking boldness from the Holy Spirit to proclaim it with renewed vigour.

- “I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. John 17:20,21