



“Jesus Prays & Sweats”

Luke 22:39-46

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Questions for Application and Fellowship

MY STORY

1. Have you ever felt the overwhelming weight of something you were responsible for? When have you experienced a great sense of gravity in your soul?

QUICK REVIEW

It’s the final day of the life of Christ, and Jesus is preparing His disciples for His departure. The Jewish authorities have categorically rejected Jesus and are plotting his death. They find an unexpected ally as one the twelve, one Jesus’ closest disciples, offers his help in turning Jesus over to them.

In the section, we leave the Upper Room and move to the Garden of Gethsemane with Jesus and His disciples. Jesus enters into a profound experience of agony as the atonement is now immanent. The burden of His mission is evident in ways that deeply touch the heart of the follower of Christ.

Read Luke 22:39-46

The Lord’s great agony was evident...

1. In His _____ (22:41-42).
2. In His _____ (22:43-44).

Was any point in this weekend’s message particularly challenging, encouraging or helpful for you?

Why did God want you to hear this message now?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. In the Garden of Gethsemane, the weight of the atonement begins to bear down on Christ in a peculiar way. How do the following passages help you appreciate what Christ was starting to experience in His heart, mind and soul? What life application is connected to the doctrinal points in the New Testament verses?

Isaiah 53:5-6, 12

II Corinthians 5:18-21

I Peter 2:24-25

2. What does the Lord's Gethsemane prayer reveal to us about Jesus' relationship with His Father? How does it provide for you a model of prayer?
3. What is meant by the expression "weary for sorrow?" Have you ever experienced such a condition? How does Psalm 121 encourage you in view of that human frailty?
4. Jesus went to the Mt. of Olives with his disciples "as was his custom." Presumably, this was a regular place of prayer with His disciples when in Jerusalem. What are your customs of prayer? What helps you to pray and what hinders you?
5. Twice Jesus said, "Pray that you might not enter into temptation." What did he mean by that? What temptations might you face this week? Are they sins of omission or commission? How can you be careful not to "enter" into them?