

## **LUKE 22:31-34 – The Prayer in the Garden**

*7/23/16 Sat Morn Prayer*

**Luke 22:39-46** Coming out, He went to the Mount of Olives, as He was accustomed, and His disciples also followed Him. [40] When He came to the place, He said to them, "**Pray that you may not enter into temptation.**" [41] And He was withdrawn from them about a stone's throw, and He knelt down and prayed, [42] saying, " [43] Then **an angel appeared to Him from heaven, strengthening Him.** [44] And **being in agony, He prayed more earnestly. Then His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.** [45] When He rose up from prayer, and had come to His disciples, He found them sleeping from sorrow. [46] Then He said to them, "Why do you sleep? **Rise and pray, lest you enter into temptation.**"

**Context/Biblical Background** – We've now come to the Garden, a place where the Lord apparently would often come to pray and be alone with the Father. Here we see the great battle with the forces of evil, Jesus knowing what lay ahead is His taking the sin of the whole world upon Himself as well as God's wrath for that sin. An unbelievable situation. We see here that there was no other way for the price of our sin to be paid as Jesus asked the Father, "**Father, if it is Your will, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done.**" The prayer was answered (*Hebrews 5:7*)! There was no other way and our Savior was obedient to death, even the death on the cross!

### **The Prayer in the Garden – Obedient to Death!**

**Psa 40:7-8** Then I said, "Behold, I come; In the scroll of the book it is written of me. **I delight to do Your will, O my God.** And Your law is within my heart."

**Luk 22:43** Then **an angel appeared to Him from heaven, strengthening Him.**

**Psa 138:3** In the day when I cried out, **You answered me, And made me bold with strength in my soul.**

**Heb 2:9-11** But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. **For it was fitting** for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, **in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one, for which reason He is not ashamed** to call them brethren,

**Heb 2:14-18** Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. For indeed He does not give aid to angels, but He does give aid to the seed of Abraham. Therefore, **in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted.**

**Luk 22:44** And **being in agony, He prayed more earnestly. Then His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.**

**Heb 5:7-9** who, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, **and was heard** because of His godly fear, though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. And having been perfected, **He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him.**

**Heb 7:25-27** Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since **He always lives to make intercession** for them. [26] For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens; [27] who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, for this **He did once for all when He offered up Himself.**

Luk 22:45 When He rose up from prayer, and had come to His disciples, He found them sleeping from sorrow.

Luk 22:46 Then He said to them, "Why do you sleep? Rise and pray, lest you enter into temptation."

**In the Garden of Eden, the first Adam stood in rebellion against God.**

**In Gethsemane, the Last Adam knelt in submission to God (1 Corinthians 15:45) And so it is written, "THE FIRST MAN ADAM BECAME A LIVING BEING." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.**

**In the Garden of Eden, the first Adam was sentenced to work by the sweat of his brow.**

**In the Garden of Gethsemane, the Last Adam agonized so deeply that blood flowed from His brow.**

### Summary:

- **We have work (in prayer) to do alone with the Lord.**
- **Praying to get out or to be spared from difficulties, may well be answered by His strengthening us to go through it to accomplish what He wants.**
- **Consider and REMEMBER our Eternal High Priest and what He has done and is doing for us!**
- **Pray, lest you enter into temptation (2X)**

### Do This in Remembrance of Me! – Cheri Keaggy

*This is my body given for you  
This is the cup that holds the blood of the new covenant  
This is forgiveness, simple and true  
(This is the way that I have made) for you  
Before you eat, Before you drink  
Take a long look inside And tell me what you see  
He said, Do this in remembrance of Me.  
Do this in remembrance of Me*

*This is the bread of life broken for you  
This is the cup that holds the wine of the new covenant  
This is the love of Christ poured out anew  
This is the Son of God who died for you  
Before you eat, Before you drink  
Take a long look inside And tell me what you see  
Then, Do this in remembrance of Me.  
Do this in remembrance of Me*

*I will remember the cross that You bore for me  
I will remember the crown that You wore for me.  
I will remember the reason You suffered and died  
This is my body given for you  
This is the cup that holds the blood of the new covenant  
This is forgiveness, simple and true  
(This is the way that I have made) for you  
(This is the way that I have made) for you*

### Nothing But the Blood – Robert Lowry

*What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
Oh! precious is the flow That makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

*This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
This is all my righteousness, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
Oh! precious is the flow That makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

### The Old Rugged Cross – George Bernard – sung by Ernie Ford

*On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame;  
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.*

*Refrain:*

*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;  
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.  
To the old rugged cross I will ever be true, its shame and reproach gladly bear;  
then he'll call me some day to my home far away, where his glory forever I'll share.*

*(Refrain)*

**Isaiah 53; Heb. 10:12-14; Rev. 1:12-18**

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