



LESSON 148 - MARK 14:32-34

And they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and he saith to his disciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray. And he taketh with him Peter and James and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy; And saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death: tarry ye here, and watch.

Read and compare Jn 18:1, Lk 22:29-43, and Mt 26:36-39.

1. What brook did the disciples cross to get to the garden?
2. The garden of Gethsemane was at the base of what small mountain?
3. Eleven of Jesus' disciples went with Him to the garden. What were they told? b. Three were chosen to accompany Jesus to pray with Him. Name those three.
4. What were Jesus' instructions to those three? b. Why do you think Jesus asked them to join Him in this crucial time before His arrest, which He knew was coming?
5. The Gospel of John does not contain an account of the prayers and conversation in the garden of Gethsemane, while the other three gospels did include them. Why do you think John omitted this?
6. Jesus went a little farther and fell on His knees to pray. How far was He from the three?
7. What positions did Jesus take as He prayed?
8. Jesus said to the three, " My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death..." Why was He sorrowful?
9. Our redemption rested on this Man, Jesus, and He was faithful to the end, accomplishing all He had been sent from heaven to do. Our Lord Jesus went back to heaven victorious, and was rewarded for His faithfulness (see Heb 1 and Isa 6). What two things should this encourage in us?

Possible Answers

1. Kidron or Cedron, Jn 18:1
2. Mt of Olives Lk 22:39
3. Mt 26:36 "Sit you here, while I go and pray yonder." He probably pointed to the area He would be. b. Peter, James, and John
4. Mt 26:38 "My soul is exceeding sorrowful: tarry you here, and watch with Me." Lk 22:40 "Pray that you enter not into temptation." b. Jesus loved all these men who had given up their

livelihood to follow Him. These three seemed the most zealous in their devotion to Him, and were the inner circle of His disciples, having been chosen to see His transfiguration. Mt 17:1

5. The Holy Spirit directed John's writing. There may have been nothing additional to report.

6. A stone's throw distance. Lk 22:41

7. Kneeling and also on His face. Lk 22:41, Mt 26:39

8. Jesus may have been receiving visions of what was going to happen, but whether He did or not, Jesus knew this walk of obedience to His death on the cross, and His taking the judgment of mankind's sin upon Himself, would mean the interruption of His close and sweet fellowship with His Father and would be the cause of a terrible separation between Himself and His God. These thoughts caused His sorrow.

9. Obedience and faithfulness Deut 28:1-14

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