

Why Jesus prayed about the inevitable notes

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 - Matthew 26:36-44 Then Jesus *came with them to a place called Gethsemane, and *said to His disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." (37) And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and distressed. (38) Then He *said to them, "My soul is deeply grieved, to the point of death; remain here and keep watch with Me." (39) And He went a little beyond them, and fell on His face and prayed, saying, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; yet not as I will, but as You will." (40) And He *came to the disciples and *found them sleeping, and *said to Peter, "So, you men could not keep watch with Me for one hour? (41) "Keep watching and praying that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." (42) He went away again a second time and prayed, saying, "My Father, if this cannot pass away unless I drink it, Your will be done." (43) Again He came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. (44) And He left them again, and went away and prayed a third time, saying the same thing once more.
 - Luke 22:41-46 And He withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and He knelt down and began to pray, (42) saying, "Father, if You are willing, remove this cup from Me; yet not My will, but Yours be done." (43) Now an angel from heaven appeared to Him, strengthening Him. (44) And being in agony He was praying very fervently; and His sweat became like drops of blood, falling down upon the ground. (45) When He rose from prayer, He came to the disciples and found them sleeping from sorrow, (46) and said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not enter into temptation."

○ Robertson's Word Pictures

- The hour (hē hōra). Jesus had long looked forward to this "hour" and had often mentioned it (Joh_7:30; Joh_8:20; Joh_12:23, Joh_12:27; Joh_13:1). See again in Mar_14:41. Now he dreads it, surely a human trait that all can understand.
 - John 7:30 So they were seeking to seize Him; and no man laid his hand on Him, because His hour had not yet come.
 - John 8:20 These words He spoke in the treasury, as He taught in the temple; and no one seized Him, because His hour had not yet come.
 - John 12:23 And Jesus *answered them, saying, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.
 - John 13:1 Now before the Feast of the Passover, Jesus knowing that His hour had come that He would depart out of this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.
 - Mark 14:41-42 And He *came the third time, and *said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? It is enough; the hour has come; behold, the Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of sinners. (42) "Get up, let us be going; behold, the one who betrays Me is at hand!"
 - Matthew 26:45-46 Then He *came to the disciples and *said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Behold, the hour is at hand and the Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of sinners. (46) "Get up, let us be going; behold, the one who betrays Me is at hand!"

○ F.B. Meyer

- Our Lord did not shrink from physical suffering, but from the horror of becoming sin-bearer for the race, and putting away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.

○ Matthew Henry's Concise Commentary (MHCC)

- The terrors of God set themselves in array against him, and he allowed him to contemplate them. Never was sorrow like unto his at this time. Now he was made a curse for us; the curses of the law were laid upon him as our Surety. He now tasted death, in all the bitterness of it. This was that fear of which the apostle speaks, the natural fear of pain and death, at which human nature startles. Can we ever entertain favourable, or even slight thoughts of sin, when we see the painful sufferings which sin, though but reckoned to him, brought on the Lord Jesus? Shall that sit light upon our souls, which sat so heavy upon his? Was Christ in such agony for our sins, and shall we never

be in agony about them? How should we look upon Him whom we have pierced, and mourn! It becomes us to be exceedingly sorrowful for sin, because He was so, and never to mock at it. Christ, as Man, pleaded, that, if it were possible, his sufferings might pass from him.

- Pulpit:
 - and threw himself on the ground in mortal agony, and prayed that this hour of his supreme mental anguish might, if possible, pass from him.

Brief Outline

Explain the reference to Jesus in the Garden

Jesus' situation

- Not discussing future physical pain - suffering
- Talking about his agony of caring all mankind's sin

Jesus prayed an appeal to the only one who was capable of adjusting things.

You can pray when you are in extreme situations.

- God is able to help
- Eph 3:20

Key Word

- Gethsemane
- Praying
 - Asking
 - Urging
 - Appeal
 - Petition
 - Cry for
- Agony
 - Misery
 - Torment
 - Torture
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- Suffering
- Adversity
- Difficulty
- Misery
- Ordeal
- Distress
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- Anguish
 - Grief
 - Heartache
 - Heartbreak
 - Sorrow
 - Suffering
 - Distress

- Hurting
- wretchedness
- Mankind
 - Humanity
 - Man
 - People
 -
- Sin
 - Error
 - Evil
 - Misdeed
 - Offense
 - Transgression
 - Violation
 - Wrong
 - Wrongdoing
 -
- Wrong choices
- Carrying
 - Lifting
 -
- God
- Able
 - Capable
 - Skilled
 - Effective
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- Help
 - Alleviate
- Facilitate
- Comfort
- Guide
- Support
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- Abundantly
 - Generously
 - Lavishly
 - Richly
 -
- Ask
 - Beg
 - Plead
 - Seek
 - Beseech
 -
- Think
 - Assume
 - Consider
 - Expect
 - Conceive
 - Envision
 - Foresee
 -
- Power
 - Force
 - Potential
 - Strength
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Additional Resources

GBN

- What Happened the Night Jesus was Arrested?
 - https://youtu.be/zC-bccIKg_M

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Online Academy of Biblical Studies

WVBS

Search

- Obeying God
 - <https://youtu.be/-lTNPPy-a0c>
 - Transcript downloaded 3-10-22

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We See Jesus, by John Ratliff

- Be Still and Know
 - <https://weseejesus.wordpress.com/2014/12/30/be-still-and-know/>

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La Vista Church of Christ

- Gethsemane
 - <https://www.lavistachurchofchrist.org/cms/bible-studies/the-gospel-accounts-a-chronological-harmony/gethsemane/>
- To Him Who Is Able
 - <http://lavistachurchofchrist.org/LVSermons/ToHimWhoIsAble.html>

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WordPoints

- When the Flesh is Weak.
 - <https://wordpoints.com/flesh-weak-april-18/>
- Principle vs. Impulse
 - <https://wordpoints.com/principle-impulse-april-17/>
- When My Love for Christ Grows Weak
 - <https://wordpoints.com/love-christ-grows-weak-november-2/>
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The Gospel Message

- No Sweat
 - <https://www.gospelmessage.net/2021/06/2021-6-30-no-sweat/>
- My Hour Has Not Yet Come
 - <https://www.gospelmessage.net/2021/06/2021-6-1-my-hour-has-not-yet-come/>

Christian Courier

- Was Jesus Afraid?
 - <https://www.christiancourier.com/articles/1409-was-jesus-afraid>

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TimelessTalks.net or my other files.

- Notes for “I Hate Buttermilk”
 - <https://timelesstalks.net/notes-for-i-hate-buttermilk/>

- Sinner's Prayer
 - <https://timelesstalks.net/sinners-prayer/>
- Prayer: The Series
 - <https://timelesstalks.net/series-prayer/>
- Best Time to Pray
 - <https://timelesstalks.net/when-is-the-best-time-of-day-to-pray/>
- When God Answers Prayer
 - <https://timelesstalks.net/when-god-answers-prayer-1/>
- How to Pray: 9 Easy Answers
 - <https://timelesstalks.net/how-to-pray/>
- What Matters?
 - <https://timelesstalks.net/what-matters-2/>
- Fasting, Part 3: Practical Applications
 - <https://timelesstalks.net/fasting-part-3-practical-applications/>
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Outline

Intro

- Why did Jesus Pray in the Garden of Gethsemane? What Does it have to do with you?
- Intro 4
- Hi, i am Tim Estes, your host and founder of TimelessTalks.net where we address Timeless Subject and provide information for life. I have been blessed to help many people for years.
- We are going to share with you 5 facts relating to Jesus praying in the garden and how it relates to your present and future success or failure.
- BUT YOU WILL HAVE TO GET OVER TO TIMELESSTALKS.NET TO WATCH IT. THE LINK IS IN THE DESCRIPTION.
- So, let's get to it.

Content.

The Prayer Jesus said 3 times in the garden of Gethsemane is recorded by Matthew, Mark, and Luke.

Let's read from Mark's version.

Mark 14:33-36 And He *took with Him Peter and James and John, and began to be very distressed and troubled. (34) And He *said to them, "My soul is deeply grieved to the point of

death; remain here and keep watch." (35) And He went a little beyond them, and fell to the ground and began to pray that if it were possible, the hour might pass Him by. (36) And He was saying, "Abba! Father! All things are possible for You; remove this cup from Me; yet not what I will, but what You will."

Let's break this into a 5 simple facts.

First, Jesus had been preparing his entire life for the next 3 days, especially the next 12-18 hours. He had been able to not commit a single sin for his entire life. Up till now, he had no experience with the consequences of sin. He did not know guilt, shame, remorse from what some people call "bad choices" or "an oops". Everyone on earth has experienced that (cite ROM 3.23 on green screen). He knew nothing about being betrayed, like you may have experienced. His preparations for this point in his life kept him from sexual immorality, coveting or deceiving anyone. He had no pride. All his life he had been successful at living a perfectly sinless life.

Second, His living sinlessly made him the perfect sacrifice for all mankind's sins, those "bad choices", and "oops". All of this was part of God's grand plan for giving humanity an opportunity to choose to follow God into a grand life now and being with him in eternity later. Third, at this very moment of time, God was allowing Jesus to FEEL ALL mankind's grief, agony, anguish, distress. (Green screen 2 Cor 5:21) All those feelings from everyone who ever lives was placed on his shoulders. It would be more than enough to mentally crush anyone, including Jesus. That's why he said he was distressed and troubled; why he said he was "grieved to the point of death"; why he fell flat to the ground to pray.

Fourth, Jesus, in such a dire situation, turned to the only one who could possibly help him. He prayed to God the Father. He was humble. He was at the breaking point. Maybe you feel like you have been at the breaking point. Jesus appealed to God to "remove this cup from me". Since the divine Jesus knew the future, he knew the physical suffering that lay ahead. But it was more. Jesus was in mental anguish. He was hurting right then! All because of my sins, and your sins too. Our sins were hurting him! He did not break. He prayed.

Fifthly, the humble Jesus submitted to whatever God the Father wanted. This is THE moment in human history when Jesus ultimately began his most complete commitment to God's eternal plan. (Green Screen: Heb 5.8-9). God's plan was for Jesus to willingly die for all the sins of mankind. Jesus said, (John 10:17-18) "For this reason the Father loves Me, because I lay down My life so that I may take it again. (18) "No one has taken it away from Me, but I lay it down on My own initiative...."

So, the answer to the question, "Why did Jesus Pray in Gethsemane?" is because of your sins. Jesus was caring all your sins. He and his Father loved you enough to create a means to have your sins paid for. To appease God's wrath aimed at you for your sins, Jesus prayed in the Garden. He suffered mentally and physically for your "bad choices" (Green Screen: Bad choices = Sin). He died in your place. Here are three things you need to do.

First, Use the contact page to answer these questions. 1. Do you believe Jesus is God's Son? Yes or No. 2. Because he sacrificed himself for you, Are you willing to change your life and live for him? Answer Yes or No. 3. Will you submit to God in baptism? Yes or No.

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