

Scripture Passage: Luke 22:39-46

Story Point: In today's passage, we see why Jesus became fully human for us in order to take our sin upon himself. Jesus took his disciples to a place called the Mount of Olives. He told them to pray and wait for him while he went to pray alone. He was very upset and troubled. Going just a little further, Jesus fell to the ground and prayed to God the Father. He prayed that if it were at all possible, that God would allow him to not have to suffer and die, but for the Father's will to be done. He prayed so hard and suffered so much that his sweat was like drops of blood. When he returned to the disciples, he found them sleeping, because they were so exhausted from their sorrow. Jesus told them to wake up and pray that they would not fall into temptation. Jesus was honest in his prayers to his Father about his human desire to not have to suffer and die on the cross for our sins, yet he knew that it was the only path for us to be united with a sinless Savior. He also wholeheartedly trusted God and prayed that his will would be done over his own human desires.

Discussion Questions:

- What is something you have dreaded before? Why did you dread it so much?
- Why do you think Jesus brings his disciples with him to the Mount of Olives?
- What was it that Jesus dreading so badly?
- What can we learn from the example of Jesus' posture and prayer in this passage?
- What does it look like to be honest with God (about our cares, concerns, fears, etc.), while also trusting in God (and his will and plan)?
- Do you find it easy to be honest with God when you pray? Why or why not? What do we need to believe to be more honest with God when we pray?



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