

YOUR WILL BE DONE

Matthew 26.36-68

WILLING SPIRIT, WEAK FLESH

Peter, James, and John were specifically brought with Jesus to help Him keep watch. Even after big claims by Peter, and even with their love and devotion to Jesus, they give in to the temptation of sleep. Jesus responds to their actions by giving them a clear diagnosis: "the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

LET THIS CUP PASS FROM ME

Jesus knew that all of this would happen. Every rebellious, God-denying decision we would each make. And yet He went forward with the definite plan of His Father. He took the cup given to Him by His Father.

The Cup: This is the cup of God's wrath, filled with His fury, anger, and hatred towards sin, evil, and death. It is a cup that every human should drink, but one that He drank for us. **Isaiah 51.17, Jeremiah 25.15, Psalm 11.6, Ezekiel 23.32**

Let it Pass: Jesus, being fully human, experiences the same type of desire for avoidance of painful and hurtful circumstances as we do.

Not as I Will: However, He does not want to avoid pain at the cost of insisting on His way if His desires don't line up with the Father's.

But Your Will be Done: He submits and yields to the definite plan of His Father. He trusts in His Father and is deeply committed to purchasing us for salvation.

- **Propitiation:** sin needs full and holy punishment, and it needs to be in full in order to satisfy God's holy anger and hatred towards sin and death.
- **Substitutionary Atonement:** there is a penalty for sin, and an actual substitution was made; this Substitute was equal (human) but able (divine).

**The dying Jesus is the evidence of God's anger toward sin;
but the living Jesus is the proof of God's love and forgiveness.**

-Lorenz Eifert

OUR ENCOURAGEMENT

Despite knowing everyone would abandon Him and turn their backs on Him, and knowing that He would have a false trial and drink the wrath of His Father, Jesus was able to still, as a human, say, "not My will, but Your will" to His Father.

But there are two hopes we are given here from His actions and resolve:

1. Hope that can prevent us from falling under pressure.
2. Hope that reminds us that even when we fail, He did not, and He will not.

Christus Exemplar: Christ is our example when we face suffering and trials.

Christus Victor: He is also our victor, especially for when we fail.

Part of what makes suffering so hard for us, is that we have not yet really learned to pray and trust in these words, "let Your will be done, and not mine." However, Christ gives us hope that can prevent us from failing under pressure, because He Himself is our example.

Matthew 26.26-29 // Jeremiah 31.31-34

NOTES:

Will You Pray With Us?

Follow along with our daily prayer requests by downloading the **PrayerMate App**, available on both **iOS** and **Android** phones. Go to our website for detailed instructions on how to subscribe to the app to be praying with us daily, as well as reading through our **2 Year Bible Reading Plan**.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION CHURCH!

We'd LOVE for you to fill out the green **Connection Card** on your seat to let us know you were here today. You can drop it in the offering at the end of service or take it to one of our teammates in a **Green Shirt** at the **Connection Booth** outside - we'd love to give you some welcome information. Feel free to grab some food or coffee out in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you've ever taken your child to one of our **Kids on Mission** classes, or enjoyed a cup of coffee after service, chances are there was a faithful servant behind each of those examples. Serving is one of the **most fun & rewarding ways we experience community** with our church family! **Fill out a connection card** to learn about the serving opportunities available today.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

The best way to **get connected** in the church is by joining one of our **Community Groups!** You'll forge friendships, be encouraged, and take the sermon deeper into your heart every week. **Sign up for a Group** on a **Connection Card** or visit the **Connection Booth**. You won't regret it!

GIVING

Gospel-centered generosity is motivated by a heart of thankfulness because of the sacrificial love God has already shown us. If you call **Life Mission** your home, you can place your gift in the offering baskets at the end of service, give online at lifemissionchurch.com/blog/give or mail a check to our PO Box. Thank you so much!

KIDS ON MISSION

Our **Kids on Mission** ministry has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. Visit our website to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey's heart for the ministry and his walkthrough of our curriculum. For questions about KOM email **Katie McGinty** at katie@lifemission.tv

JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS

Our **6th - 8th graders** worship with the adults and then head to the junior high room with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Our **9th - 12th graders** stay in the service because we believe that it is critical for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate school. Our **High School Ministry meets on Thursday Nights @7PM at Casey & Amy Barnes Home in San Marcos**. For directions and/or questions about our student ministries, contact **Casey Barnes** at casey@lifemission.tv.

VISION: WHY DO WE EXIST?

We want to see God's glory known among the nations, to the least, last, and lost.

MISSION: WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO?

We need to make disciples who make disciples locally and globally, who are saved, equipped, and sent by the Gospel.

STRATEGY: HOW WILL WE DO IT?

By teaching people how to be rooted in the Gospel of God's glory through the Word of God, Prayer, and Gospel Community.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Read through **Matthew 26:30-68**. What stood out to you the most from these verses or the message on Sunday? _____

Review **verse 38** specifically. Why do you think Jesus said His soul was "Very sorrowful, even to death"? Do you think it was because He was to be crucified or something else? See **Isaiah 53:3-6**, **2 Corinthians 5:21**, and **Psalms 22:1, 14-18**. _____

Jesus tells us in **John 10:31** that He and the Father are one. Does Christ's prayer in **Matthew 26:39, 42** reveal a rift between Him and the Father? How do we reconcile what we know about the Trinity with Christ's prayers in **verses 39 and 42**? _____

What is your first thought when you hear the word "submission"? Generally negative or positive? What can we learn from Christ's prayers to His Father? Read **Ephesians 5:25-27**, **Hebrews 5:7-10**, and **Matthew 26:53-54**. _____

What was the "cup" that Christ was referring to? Read **Matthew 20:22**, **Jeremiah 25:15**, **Isaiah 51:17**, **Psalms 75:8**, **Revelation 14:10**. How are we as believers to understand God's "cup of wrath"? What is it and why is it necessary? _____

How do you think Jesus felt when He found the disciples sleeping on several occasions while He was praying? Do you ever feel like your own shortcomings may get in the way of serving Christ? Read **2 Corinthians 1:27-29, 12:10**, and **Romans 8:26**. Is it our own efforts or talents that advance the Kingdom, or something else? _____

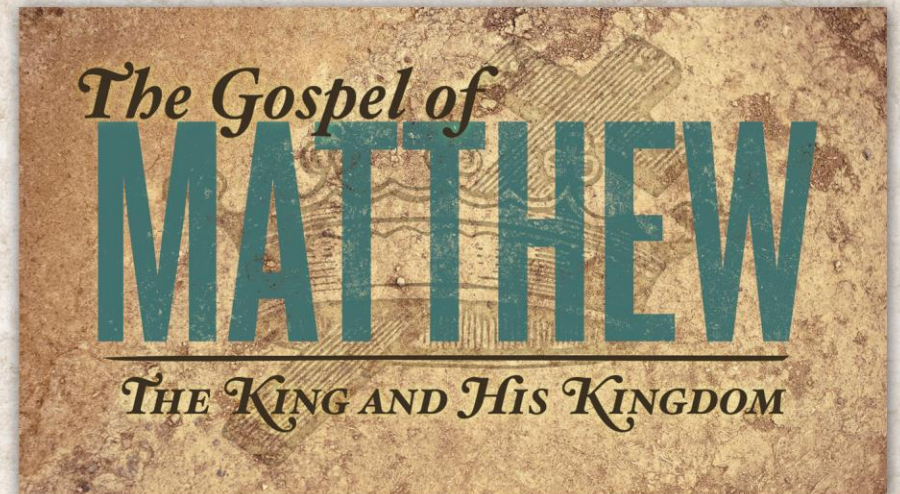
This passage paints an incredible portrait of Christ's humanity, as well as His deity. We see Christ in anguish over what He is facing and yet completely submitted to His Father, betrayed and let down by His closest friends, arrested and accused of blasphemy, and yet we see Christ maintain His complete authority. (See, **John 1:1-5 and 10-14**; and **Colossians 1:15-17**.) Using the **P.R.A.Y.** model, spend some time dwelling on what Christ came to accomplish. Think about what it means that He clothed Himself in humanity for our sake, and what it means that we get to be clothed by His righteousness. Be prepared to share in your Community Groups what this knowledge means for your daily walk.



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**Making Disciples Who Make Disciples Locally and Globally,
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