1 - **The Weight Of The World On His Shoulders” - Jesus In The Garden of Gethsemane**

**Mark 14:32-42**

2 - **Before Gethsemane**

**Jesus predicted His suffering and death.** (Matthew 16:21; 17:12, 22-23; 20:17-19)

**Jesus already praying about it** (Luke 9:28-32) **and preparing for it.** (Luke 9:51; (cf., Isaiah 50:7) John 12:27)

**Ready to lay down His life.** (John 10:17-18; cf., 18:1-8)

3 - **Before Gethsemane**

**The day before…**

* **Observance of the last Passover & washing of the apostles feet. (Mark 14:12-17; John 13:1-20)**
* **Answered who’s greatest. (Luke 22:24-30)**
* **Identification of His betrayer (Mark 14:18-21) & prediction of Peter’s betrayal. (Mark 14:26-31)**
* **Jesus’ prayer for Himself (John 17:1-6), His apostles (John 17:7-19)** **& for us! (John 17:20-21)**

4 - **Leaving Jerusalem…**

***“As was His custom”*, (Luke 22:39),** they go to the **Mount of Olives (Matthew 26:30)** where Jesus says that ***“you all will fall away”.* (Matthew 26:31)**

After Peter avows he will ***“never fall away”*, Jesus reminds Peter (Matthew 26:33-34; Luke 22:34) that he will deny Him 3 times.**

**Jesus takes Peter, James and John with Him as He goes to pray. (Mark 14:32-33)**

5 - **The Garden Of Gethsemane…**



6 - **Jesus Alone In The Garden…**

Jesus “***fell on His face”* (Matthew 26:39) &** was ***“very distressed and troubled”*** and said,*“My soul is* ***deeply grieved to the point of death;*** *remain here and* ***keep watch.”* (Mark 14:33-34)**

* ***“Troubled”* -** uncomfortable, **as not at home, to be troubled, distressed**: (Thayer’s Lexicon),
* **“Deeply grieved” - “grieved all around, intensely sad…” (Strong) (Psalms 42:11; Luke 18:23)**

7 - **Jesus Alone In The Garden…**

Jesus was ***“very distressed and troubled”*** and “***fell on His face”* (Matthew 26:39)**

**Why? (Isaiah 53:7)** Jesus truly had **the “weight of the world” on His shoulders**.

* Note what **“Gethsemane”** means!
* **What is being asked of Him?** (**Hebrews** **5:8**)

8 - **Jesus’ Request Of His Disciples…**

***“Remain here*** *and* ***keep watch with Me”* (Mark 14:34)**

* + **Why? (1 Peter 2:21-25; Mark 14:38)**
	+ **Are we? (1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Colossians 4:2)**
	+ **A call for sober mindedness! (1 Peter 5:8-10)**

***“Pray that you may not enter into temptation”*(Luke 22:40; cf., Matthew 6:13)**

9 - **What Jesus Found In His Disciples…**

***“He came and found them sleeping…” (Mark 14:37)***

* 1. ***“Could you not keep watch for one hour? Keep watching and praying that you may not come into temptation; the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.”* (Mark 14:38)**
	2. A 2nd time, ***“they did not know what to answer Him.”***
	3. A 3rd time ***“the hour has come…”* (Mark 14:41-42)**

10 - **Jesus’ Request Of His Father…**

**Jesus again prayed to His Father.**

**A life of prayer to His Father. (Mark 1:35; Matthew 14:23; Luke 6:12; 9:18, 28-31)**

**When we turn to God in prayer in a time of crisis or peril, will we be addressing a stranger or a friend? (2 Kings 20:1-6)**

**The need for persistence & faith. (Luke 11:8; 18:6-8)**

11 - **Jesus’ Request Of His Father…**

***“That if it were possible, the hour might pass Him by.”* (Mark 14:35; remember John 12:27-28. Also note John 2:4; 8:20)**

***“Abba! Father! All things are possible for you; remove this cup from Me; yet not what I will, but what you will.”* (Mark 14:36)**

**Sometimes the answer is no. (2 Corinthians 12:7-10)**

12 - **Jesus’ Submission To His Father…**

* Note **John 12:27-33** - suffering before glory. **(Luke 24:26; 1 Peter 5:10; 1:6-7)**
* **Jesus always sought the will of His Father
(John 8:29; (cf., John 4:34)**
* **Jesus had a choice to make. (Matthew 26:53)**
* **He chose to drink *“the cup”.* (John18:11)**

13 - **Lessons Learned In The Garden…**

* **The power of prayer and the need for watchfulness & sober mindedness. (1 Peter 5:6-7; Hebrews 4:14-16)**
* **Willing to suffer for the cause of Christ for the glory yet to come. (Lk. 24:26; Heb. 2:10; 1 Peter 1:11)**

**14 - Lessons Learned In The Garden…**

* **Submission to the will of God. (Matthew 6:10; Hebrews 5:8-9) The need to finish our race.
(2 Timothy 4:7-8; John 20:30; Hebrews 4:1)**
* **The need to take advantage of the blood He shed.**
* **The need to live for Him who died for us. (Galatians 2:20; Romans 12:1-2)**