

Foretold Denial and Faithful Dependence

Mark 14:26-42

July 30th, 2023

- Last Week: The Preparation of the Passover Lamb **Mark 14:12-25**
- Thursday - **Mark 11-16** Is One Week With Jesus
- **Mark 14-15** — Jesus' Suffering & Death & **Mark 16** — Jesus' Resurrection

Peter's Foretold Denial

1. Passover Celebrated, concluded with **Psalm 113-118** ("The Hallel"). Disciples on a _____ Mountaintop.
2. Prophetic _____, Scattering, and Refining/Restoring (**Zech. 13:7-9, Mark 14:27-28**)
3. Peter's (And the Disciples!) Confidence/Arrogance (**Mark 14:29-31**)
 - They performed _____ (**Luke 10:1-12, 17-20**)
 - He walked on water with Jesus (**Matt. 12:22-33**)
 - He saw the _____ (**Luke 9:28-36**)
 - Jesus affirms him with a new name and spiritual authority (**Matt. 16:16-19**)
4. How do we _____ Jesus?
 - Our Words, Actions, and _____: When people see your life, what do they see?
 - Disciples: "They recognized that they had been with Jesus" (**Acts 4:13**) Can people _____ that you have been with Jesus?

Christ's Faithful Dependence Vs. Sleepy Simon

1. Jesus' Example in Adversity
 - Brings his "inner circle" (**Mark 14:33, Luke 8:49-56, Matt 17:1-13**)
 - Honest recognition of self (**Mark 14:34**)
 - Tells his _____ his needs (**Mark 14:34**)
 - He goes to _____ (**Mark 14:32, 35-39**)
2. Jesus Example in Prayer
 - Personal: He's calling _____ and personally on his Father (**Mark 14:36**)
 - Acknowledgement of the Father's authority and power (**Mark 14:36**)
 - Request: "Remove this cup from me" (**Mark 14:36, Phil 4:6-7**)
 - Trusting/Submitting: "Yet not what I will, but what you will" (**Mark 14:36**)

- Mnemonic Devices/Acronyms: PARTS, ACTS, HEART, PRAY, TRI, JOY: The key in prayer is an honest desperate plea to a loving Father and all-powerful God while trusting His will

3. Sleepy Simon

- Sleeping while his friend needed him (**Mark 14:37**)
- "Heard" but did not _____ the warning (**Mark 14:31, 14:37-38**)
- Willing to _____, but not _____ for Christ (**Mark 14:31, 38**)
- Did not recognize the _____ battle (**Mark 14:38**)

Christ's Example For Us

1. Watch and Pray against Temptation (**Mark 14:38**)

- Understand that we have an _____ (**1Pt. 5:8**)
- Put on the _____ of God (**Eph. 6:10-12, 18**)

2. How we can Pray

- We can call out to God as our Father (**Rom. 8:14-16**)
- Prayer prepared Him for what was next (**Mark 14:41-42**)
- Turn to the Father before and during adversity

3. Let's Pray

- As Father, thank God for who He is, and confess any sin, self-reliance, arrogance, pride, unfaithfulness to God, and thank him that he forgave it on the cross
- Pray against temptation (You know your tendencies!)
- Make your requests known to God, what is burdening you this morning?
- Ask for God's will to be done and surrender your own will to His

Discussion Questions:

1. What does your prayer life look like?
2. What do you think about the quote: "Easy to say that you would die for something! Hard to actually live for something. That takes day to day effort."
3. Is prayer difficult for you, why or why not?
4. What is one area we can pray for you this next week?

Suggested Reading: *Prayer*, by Philip Yancey and *Growing Your Personal Prayer Life* by Rick Elzinga

Key Words For Kids To Count: Pray, Prayer