



Day 15

Matthew 26:36–46, Luke 22:44

Growing up, were there ways you could get your parents to give you what you wanted? Maybe it was asking nicely, or flashing a cute smile and batting your eyelashes as you said. Maybe your parents were listening for certain phrases. “Say please...ask nicely...what are you going to do for me if I say yes?”

It may surprise you that despite Jesus being the perfect son (LITERALLY), that in the Garden of Gethsemane the Father denied the prayerful request of His son.

Jesus asked if there is any way for God NOT to pour His wrath out on His son for the sins of the world. Jesus knew exactly how painful it would be—physically, emotionally, mentally, relationally, and spiritually.

The request was ultimately denied, but Jesus was already resolute—“I want Your plan, even if it’s not my preference.”

Pray: “God, help me to desire Your Will more than my own way. Give me peace in knowing that Your plan is always better than my preferences. Help me to know that You see and know details of my life that I am unaware of, and that my limited perspective should become aligned with Your perfect purpose for my life.”