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Having already advanced some hours, Jesus chose to leave the room where the Last Supper occurred and went forth to a nearby Olive grove. The Lord then rose to depart from the cenacle. (The cenacle is the room where the Passover supper and the Eucharist occurred. <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cenacle>) Also His Mother Mary left Her room in order to meet Jesus. At this face-to-face meeting a sword of sorrow pierced the heart of Son and Mother, inflicting a pang of grief beyond all human and Angelic thought. The sorrowful Mother threw Herself at the feet of Jesus, adoring Him as Her true God and Savior. The Lord, looking upon Her, spoke to Her only these words: "My Mother, I shall be with You in tribulation; let Us accomplish the will of the Father and the salvation of men".

His Mother offered Herself as a sacrifice with Her whole heart and asked Her Son's blessing. Having received this She returned to the cenacle, where, by a special miracle of the Holy Trinity, *She was enabled to see all that passed in connection with Her Son.* Thus She was enabled to accompany Him and suffer

with Him in His activity. The owner of the cenacle, who was present at this meeting, moved by a divine impulse, offered his house and all that it contained to the Mother of Jesus, asking Her to make use of all that was his during Her stay in Jerusalem; and Mary accepted his offer with humble thanks. The thousand Angels of Her guard, in forms visible to Her, together with some of the pious women of Her company remained with the Lady.

Jesus left the house of the Cenacle with all the men who had been present at the Last Supper. Soon many of them dispersed in the different streets in order to attend to their own affairs. Followed by His twelve Apostles, Jesus directed His steps toward *Mount Olivet*, heading east, outside the eastern walls of Jerusalem. Judas knew that Jesus was to pass the night in prayer, as His usual custom. This appeared to Judas a most opportune occasion for delivering Jesus into the hands of the scribes and the Pharisees. Having taken this resolve, he lagged behind and permitted Jesus and His Apostles to proceed. Unnoticed, Judas lost them from view and departed in all haste. This wicked deed created within Judas incredible turmoil. Peace was far away for him. Driven on by the stormy hurricane of thoughts raised by his bad conscience, Judas arrived breathless at the house of the high priest.

On the way it happened, that Lucifer, perceiving the haste of Judas in wanting the death of Jesus Christ, and fearing that after all Jesus might be the Word of God, came toward him in the shape of his friend, acquainted with the intended betrayal. In this shape Lucifer could speak to Judas without being recognized. He tried to persuade him that this project of selling his Master did at first seem advisable on account of the wicked deeds attributed to Jesus; but that, having reconsidered the matter, he did not consider it advisable to deliver Him over to the Levite priests and Pharisees. For Jesus was not so bad as Judas might imagine; nor did He deserve death; and besides He might free Himself by some miracles and involve his betrayer Judas into great difficulties. Thus Lucifer sought to counteract the suggestions with which he had previously filled the heart of Judas. He hoped to confuse his victim; but Lucifer's attempt was in vain. ***For Judas preferred to take Jesus life rather than to encounter the wrath of the Pharisees.*** Filled with fear and his greed, he took no account of the counsel of Lucifer, although he had no suspicion of not being the friend whose shape the devil had assumed.

The Pharisees had gathered together to consult the promised betrayal. Judas entered and told them that he had left Jesus with the other disciples and they were on their way to Mount Olivet. This seemed to Judas to be a favorable occasion for His arrest. On this night they had already made sufficient preparations to prevent His escaping their hands. The Jewish priests were much

rejoiced and began to busy themselves by gathering an armed force for the arrest of Jesus.

Brothers, Satan's purpose is to destroy us by losing hope. He wants to take our peace and exchange it for turmoil. He sets man against man by having men attack each other. But on this night, Satan revised his plans by trying to reverse Judas' plans on betraying Jesus. For over 5100 years, the day Adam was created, Lucifer had been searching the world for the Word of God assuming flesh.

According to Mary of Agreda, Lucifer couldn't determine if Jesus was the Word of God or an ordinary man. On the one hand, Lucifer saw Jesus as fatigued and impoverished. On the other hand, Satan witnessed the miracles of Jesus. Satan was perplexed because he reasoned that God wouldn't allow Himself to be so weak. Satan expected the Word of God to be a powerful figure and never expected a suffering Man. The miracles that Jesus performed would throw Lucifer and His other demons into heated debates. A mystery existed, thus the demons decided to stop the death of this Man Jesus. Not understanding how the death of the Word of God would save mankind, the demons reasoned that if Jesus was the Word of God, His death would bring some great misfortune to themselves.

This may seem to contradict what the Gospels say about the demons knowing that Jesus was the Son of God. In the Gospel of Luke it say:

Lk 4:40 Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any that were sick with various diseases brought them to Jesus; and He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them.

4:41 And demons also came out of many, crying, "You are the Son of God!" But He reproved them, and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ.

It would seem strong evidence that the demons knew Jesus. But the demons are great liars and through lying they were hoping to learn something about Jesus. Jesus stopped them from proclaiming Him the Christ because it was not in God's Plan that the Jews be given the knowledge that Jesus was Christ through the devil. In addition, if the devil knew that Jesus was the Word of God, they would have never stirred the Jews into killing Him. Paul says in his Epistle that if the rulers knew Jesus was the Christ they would have never crucified Him. 1 Cor (2:5) The same can be said about the devil; Lucifer would never infuriated the Jews to kill Jesus. It also must be understood that it is the Father that reveals the Son. Recall how Apostle Peter proclaimed Jesus as the Christ?

Mt (16:8) Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

16:17 And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jona! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but **My Father** who is in heaven.

The devil can only know what the Father allows the devil to know. The Plan of God is to crush the head and arrogance of

Lucifer. Keeping Lucifer guessing was the Father's Plan.

On Their Journey To Gethsemane, Jesus Foretells Peter's Denial.

Mk 14:26 And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

14:27 And Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.'

14:28 But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee."

14:29 Peter said to Jesus, "Even though they all fall away, I will not."

14:30 And Jesus said to him, "Truly, I say to you, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny Me three times."

14:31 But Peter said vehemently, "If I must die with You, I will not deny You." And they all said the same.

- 1) "I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered". As sheep stray from the flock, men easily stray from God's Commandments. Jesus was the Shepherd that guided the Apostles. And once the Shepherd was taken captive, the Apostles were scattered.

Mt 26:30 Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

26:31 Then Jesus said to them, "This night all of you will have your faith in Me shaken, for it is written: 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be dispersed';

26:32 but after I have been raised up, I shall go before you to Galilee."

^{26:33} Peter said to Him in reply, "Though all may have their faith in You shaken, mine will never be."

^{26:34} Jesus said to him, "Amen, I say to you, this very night before the cock crows, you will deny Me three times."

^{26:35} Peter said to him, "Even though I should have to die with You, I will not deny You." And all the disciples spoke likewise.

Brothers, three times Jesus forewarns Peter about his coming denials. The first time occurred after the washing of feet. The second time occurs after Jesus changed bread and wine into His Body and Blood. And the third time took place while Jesus and the Apostles were walking to Gethsemane. Scripture is in the habit of using the number three. Three represents a journey, a journey within the three powers of our soul. (Memory, understanding, and heart.) Scripture wants us to understand the seriousness of our sins because when we sin we use our three powers. Thus when we sin, we deny Jesus with our memory, understanding and heart.

Jesus And His Apostles Arrive At Gethsemane

^{Lk 22:39} Then going out He went, **as was His custom**, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed Him.

- 1) **"As was His custom"**. As Scripture says, "My life is worn out by sorrow, My years by sighing". Ps (31:11) In short, His custom was to record the sorrows of others in His

heart. Let the world know that Jesus experienced the sorrows, depressions, and loss of hope in the hearts of man. (Caused by sin) On this night, however, it was different. On this night and the following day, Jesus was going to experience the total sum of every man's sorrows. This included the sorrows of mankind during the daytime of life and the loss of hope inflicted on each man during their Final Tests.

^{Jn 18:1} .. Jesus went out with His disciples across the Kidron Valley to where there was a garden, into which He and His disciples entered.

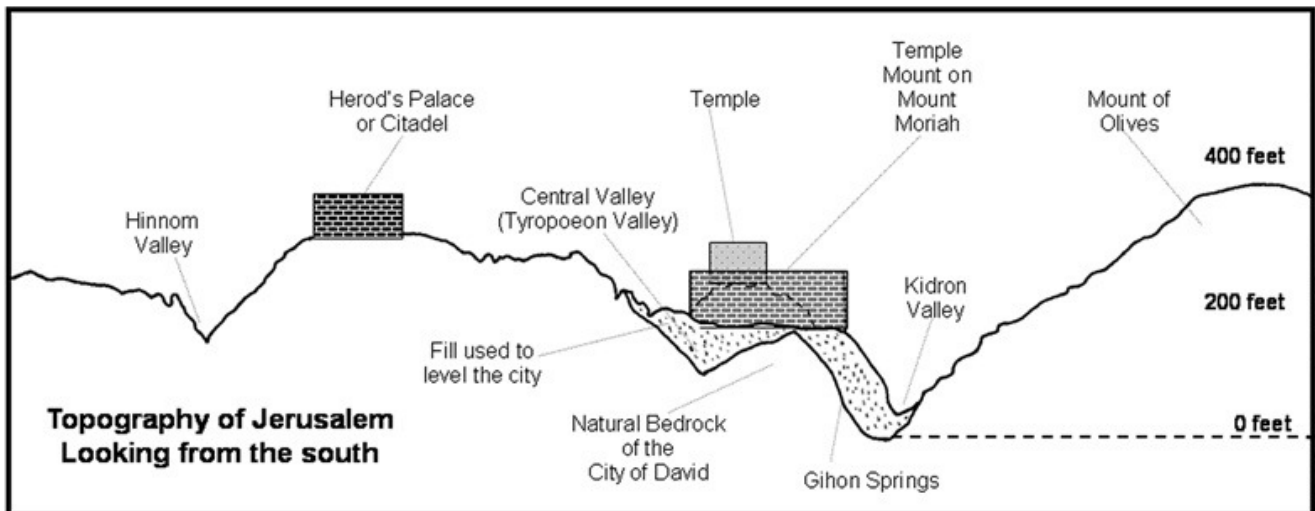
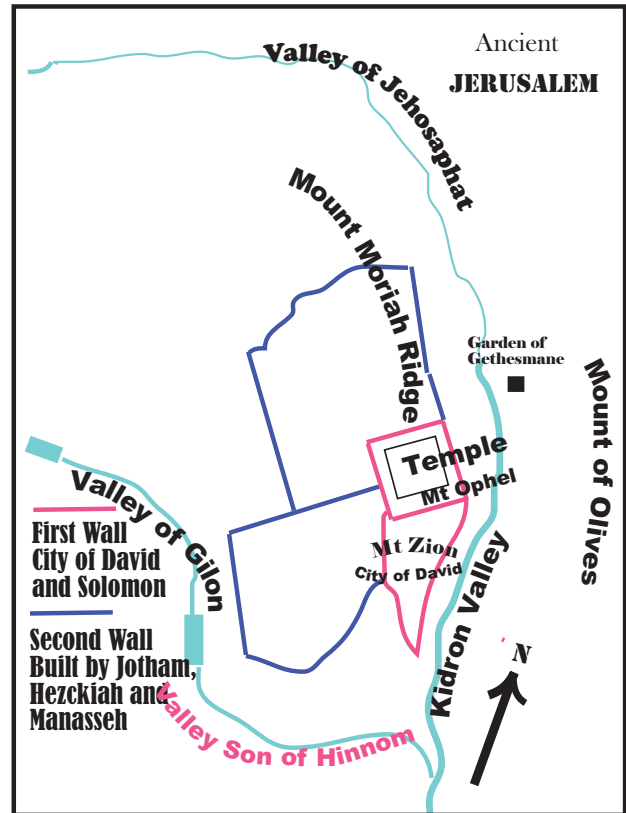
^{Mk 14:32} Then they came to a place named **Gethsemane**.

^{Mt 26:36} Then Jesus came with them to a place called **Gethsemane**.

Jesus went to a place known as **Gethsemane**, which means **"an oil press."** Gethsemane was a gardenlike enclosure in an olive orchard near the foot of the Mount of Olives. This secluded spot, known also to Judas, was Christ's favorite place to intercede.

The Mount of Olives; is a small range of four summits, **east** of the Kidron Valley, the highest which overlooks Jerusalem. This mile-long range dominates Jerusalem, rising 230 feet above the Temple in Jerusalem. The Garden of Gethsemane is at the foot of Mount Olives. Thickly wooded with olive trees in Jesus' day.

Brothers, we can liken our intercessions as squeezing the oil from the olive. As I have already said, the garden is named after the oil press. (Gethsemane) For more information on the symbolism of the olive, see The Passion Movie, chapter 2 part c.





Olive grove

Is Scripture a history book or a spiritual book? It should be evident by now how Scripture is constantly using worldly terms to describe spiritual realities. I also would like to add, before events spring into being, the Lord announces them to us. Is (42:9) In the Second Book of Samuel, God foretells in advance how Jesus is pursued by the Apostle Judas and the Jews. In this Book, Scriptures reveals this scenario by using King David. For you see King David is running for his life. His son Absalom (Symbolic of the Jews) and his friend Ahithophel (Symbolic of Judas) have procured a force against him to kill him. The Bible narrates how King David flees Jerusalem, crosses the Kidron Valley. David's soldiers move on ahead of him by way of the Mount of Olives. 2 Sm (15:22) ***As David went up the Mount of Olives, he wept without ceasing.*** His head was covered, and he was walking barefoot. All those who were with him also had their heads covered and were ***weeping*** as they went. 2 Sm (15:30) (David wept because his son Absalom wanted to kill him.) Behold, King David is a mere shadow and symbolism for Christ. Yes before events spring into being, the Lord announces them to us through Scripture.

Is (42:9) God foretells the outcome, in advance, things not yet done. Is (46:10) So I ask you, do you know why King David is weeping and Jesus is sweating blood on the Mount of Olives? A little wisdom is needed here; with a little ingenuity anyone could answer. I begin by quoting the Book of Isaiah:

Is 55:13 If an enemy had denounced Me, that I could bear; If My foe had viewed Me with contempt, from that I could hide.

55:14 But it was you, My other self, My comrade and friend,

55:15 You, whose company I enjoyed, at whose side I walked in procession in the house of God.

My friend is who wronged Me; Jb (16:20) the one who I loved has turned against Me! Jb (19:19) It was My friend who had My trust, who shared My table, has scorned Me. Is (41:10) Is it not a sorrow unto death when your bosom companion becomes Your enemy? Sir (37:2)

Brothers, we are all considered friends of Jesus. But many men at their Final Tests will reject Jesus and how Jesus recorded their sorrows in His heart. Jesus is experiencing deep grief because most will reject Him during life and again at their Final Tests. As Jesus warned us by saying, "How narrow the gate and constricted the road that leads to life. And those who ***find*** it are few". Mt (7:14) We are required to ***find*** this gate to life by valuing the sorrows of others.

Jesus Counsels The Apostles to Pray.

Then they came to a place named Gethsemane, Jesus said to all the Apostles: **“Wait for Me, and seat yourselves here while I go a short distance from here to pray; do you also pray, in order that you may not enter into temptation”**. Jesus gave them this advice so that they might be firm in the coming persecutions. Jesus had warned them at the Last Supper; that all of them should be scandalized on account of what they should see Him suffer that night.

Mt 26:36 ...He said to His disciples, “Sit here while I go over there and pray.”

Lk 22:40 “Pray that you may not undergo the test.” *(Pray that you don't fail the Final Test)*

Mk 14:32 *And they went to a place which was called Gethsemane; and He said to His disciples, “Sit here, while I pray.”*

Brothers, the word temptation is misunderstood. There is only one temptation, and this temptation occurs at our Final Tests. All men will be tempted into the loss of hope. Satan and His armies will accuse each man with violent speech, causing many men to loss hope through depression and anger. People confuse trials with temptations. A trial occurs when we have an opportunity to practice virtue when faced with sin. Scripture likens trials as opportunities to be “purified by fire”. In other words, purified by fire means we must return “good” for “evil”. To be perfect, we must practice the twelve virtues when faced by sin.

The Agony.

In the garden, Jesus separated Himself from the Apostles, except He took with Him Peter, John, and James. They went to another place in the olive grove, where they could neither be seen nor heard by the rest.

Mk 14:33 *He took with Him Peter, James, and John, and began to be troubled and distressed.*

- 1) *"Began to be troubled and distressed"*. The Spirit of Jesus was troubled because He was experiencing the sorrows and loss of hope in the souls of humanity.

Mt 26:37 And taking with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, (Refers to James and John.) He began to be sorrowful and troubled.

Jesus raised His eyes up to the eternal Father while interiorly He prayed in fulfillment of prophecy, permitting the sorrows of depression and loss of hope to approach Him. In this prayer, Christ offered Himself again to the Father as an example for us. Jesus gave consent, that all the torments of His Passion be let loose over His flesh. From that moment Jesus suspended and restrained whatever relief would otherwise overflow from His Divinity into His flesh. Jesus intentionally abandoned the comfort of the Divinity ***so that the darkness of depression caused by sin might reach the highest degree possible.*** This prayer was the floodgate through which the rivers of suffering and loss of hope were to find entrance, foretold by David.

Ps 69:2 Save Me, God, for the waters have reached My neck.

69:3 I have sunk into the mire (Heavy deep mud or slush.) of the deep, where there is no foothold. I have gone down to the watery depths; the flood overwhelms Me.

69:4 I am weary with crying out; My throat is parched. My eyes have failed, looking for My God.

69:5 ***More numerous than the hairs of My head are those who hate Me without cause.*** Too many for My strength are My treacherous enemies. Must I now restore what I did not steal?

- 1) "For the waters have reached My neck". As we know in the real world, water can cause physical death through drowning. Spiritually, Jesus can also die if He loses hope. It is true, Jesus was tempted with losing hope when He experienced the lose of hope in billions of souls at their Final Tests.
- 2) "The flood overwhelms Me". There are far more souls that fail their Final Tests than those that appreciate His love. Since many souls chose hell, it can be likened to a flood that overwhelms Jesus.
- 3) "I am weary with crying out". During His life upon the earth, Jesus was constantly praying to the Father to save all men. For 33 years, Jesus was one continual prayer. (Revealed to Saint Bridget.) Each heart beat was a prayer for the sinner and the elect.
- 4) "My eyes have failed, looking for My God". The human will of Jesus was different than the will of the

Holy Trinity. The will of Jesus wanted all men to be saved, but the will of the Father required men to appreciate the actions of His Son.

Jesus is the fullness of God and fully Man. Christ, being both Human and Divine, had both Human and Divine wills. (Council of Chalcedon 431 AD)

- 5) ***"More numerous than the hairs of My head are those who hate Me without cause"***. Most men will find at their Final Tests how their sins will cause depression and loss of hope. They will seek death (non existence) but can't have it. Thus they will grow angry and turn their anger against Jesus and the Holy Trinity.
- 6) "Too many for My strength are My treacherous enemies". The strength in which Jesus is speaking about is His hope. With so many souls wanting death because of their depression, Jesus is crushed by the darkness of loss of hope.
- 7) "Must I now restore what I did not steal"? How can Jesus restore the hope in which most men lose? The Father's justice will not allow it. It was Satan that stole men's hope through hell's accusations. The book of Hebrews says the devil has the power of death. Heb (2:16)

Brothers, Jesus has also been crying out for two thousand years. In fact He is weary with crying out and His throat is parched. Ps (69:4) Yes, He is complaining to us. And since no man has written about the Final Test and His emotions

concerning those that fail their Final Tests, Jesus is weary in crying out. And I say it with sadness; we could not hear Jesus and His pleading.

Brothers, each of us needs to feel loved by someone. We need to know that someone cares about us. In the same way light gives beauty to the world, being loved by others brings beauty into our lives.

And immediately Jesus began to be sorrowful and feel the anguish of His soul and therefore said to Peter, James and John: **“My Soul is sorrowful unto death”**. Mk (14:34) These words contain a great mystery. This sorrow penetrated His three powers, by which He knew the judgments and decrees of Divine Justice. Jesus knew and was experiencing the suicidal sorrows of mankind, and **this was indeed the source of His sorrow**. He did not say that He was sorrowful on account of His physical death, but unto death, **for the sorrow naturally arising from the repugnance to physical death, was not a fear.**

Jb 6:2 **For My anguish can't be measured on scales; it outweighs the sands of the sea.**

My son, say to My people, I covered Myself with the deep waters of sin, **the depressions of man were made Mine**. Do you see how I carry your guilt? I experienced every act of anger, envy, violence, slander, thievery, and callousness and the depression caused by each of these sins. In short I witnessed every sin against the Natural and Written

Laws and experienced each these sins. For you see, all sin leads to no hope followed by depression and then to suicide. As soon as I lived the pain of each sin, I stood before My Father with all your acts of hatred and self-love. Truly, ***I suffered terribly as I experienced the depressions of humanity.*** (As Scripture says; He was pierced for our offenses, crushed for our sins. Is (53:5))

I ask you again, can you drink from My cup? Can you contemplate the sins that I had to experience? I say to you, picture within your minds the sins of every man, as if you were present in real time. Could your senses withstand it? Could your emotions cope witnessing and experiencing the sorrows and depressions of humanity? When a soul falls into the emotions of no hope this is a pain above all pains. My plea to you is this, contemplate humanities depressions, then you will be imitating Me. I will come and share My grief with you; then your hearts will experience death as Mine experienced death.

The Three Apostles who were with Jesus understood that now was His hour of suffering and death. This confounded and confused Peter, James and John. You see, in order that they might believe that Jesus was a man capable of suffering, it was fitting that they should know as eye-witnesses His human sorrow and affliction.

Mk 14:34 **Then Jesus said to them, “My soul is sorrowful even to death. Remain here and keep watch.”**

Mt 26:38 Then He said to them, ***“My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch with Me.”***

- 1) ***“My soul is very sorrowful, even to death”***. The extreme sorrow in which Jesus was experiencing was suicidal depression. Death is suicidal depression because no other pain desires non existence. Jesus was experiencing the emotions of all those who failed their Final Tests.



The Apostles witnessed His changed appearance and were pierced to the heart, for the change in color of His face manifested the anguish of His soul. 2 Mac (3:16)

Brothers, its very common for a person’s appearance to change when confronted with grief. Take for an example mother’s grief when a child of hers dies.

Brothers, the Apostles did witness Christ’s sorrow, but they were unaware

what was causing His sufferings. Scripture says that the hearts of the Apostles were hardened. Mk (6:51 & 8:17) Scripture also says the Apostles were looking for a place of honor. Mk (10:37) The same reasons exist today. Only the childlike, Mt (11:25) and those that have decided to be servants to their brothers spiritually will receive the thoughts and emotions of Jesus. Mt (23:11)

Questions.

- 1) By a special miracle the Holy Mother was able to watch all the events that occurred to _____ during His time in the garden and His time arrested.
- 2) Judas lagged behind Jesus and the other Apostles as they were heading toward the Garden called _____. Judas was going to the scribes and _____ to deliver _____ over to them.
- 3) The devil was confused on who Jesus was. He saw Jesus tired and poor and couldn't believe God would allow this to occur. But the devil saw the miracles which no ordinary man does. God the Father is the only one who will reveal the Son of Christ. Which Apostle proclaimed Jesus as the _____, the _____ of the living God?
- 4) If the Jews had known Jesus was the Christ, would they have killed Him? What is the scripture verse that proves your answer?

- 5) On the night Jesus was arrested, Jesus warns Peter how many times that he will deny Him? Name the locations that Jesus told Peter he will deny Him?
- 6) Jesus custom was to pray. His custom was to record the _____ of _____.
- 7) The garden was named Gethsemane. This word means _____.
- 8) What kind of trees were in the garden Gethsemane?
- 9) Jesus separated Himself from the Apostles except He took with Him Peter, James and _____.
- 10) Zebedee's sons are _____ and _____.
- 11) At the Council of Chalcedon in 431 AD it was determined and approved by the Pope that Jesus had two wills. Name these two wills?
- 12) Jesus said in the garden that "My Soul is sorrowful unto _____". The anguish of Jesus can't be measured on scales because it outweighs the _____ of the sea.
- 13) Death is suicidal _____.
- 14) Because the Final Test is hidden from men they are unaware that Jesus experienced the suicidal emotions of those that failed their _____.

Jesus, being both Human and Divine, had both Human and Divine Wills.

At the Third Ecumenical counsel (Gathering of Bishops and Pope.) held at Constantinople in the year 680 AD, this counsel of bishops reaffirmed that Christ, being both Human and Divine, had both Human and Divine Wills. The importance of this can be seen when Jesus asks the Father to take away the cup.

Lk 22:41 After withdrawing about a stone's throw from them and kneeling, He prayed,
 22:42 saying, "Father, if you are willing, take this **cup** away from Me; still, not My will but Yours be done."

Mk 14:36 Jesus said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible to you. Take this **cup** away from Me, but not what I will but what You will."

Mt 26:37 And going a little farther He fell on His face and prayed, "My Father, if it be possible, let this **cup** pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will."

Jesus understood how easy it would be for mankind to be ungrateful and respond with contempt to His sorrows. Consequently, most men, the damned will number 2/3 of the human race, Zec (13:8) and they would not profit by His Passion and reject His sorrows as worthless. **To die for His friends was pleasing to Him; yet to experience the suicidal depressions of the ungrateful was indeed bitter and painful.** In regard to them Jesus had no desire to feel their

suicidal pains. This sorrow was what Jesus called a chalice or cup, for the Hebrews were accustomed to use this word for signifying anything that implied great labor and pain. Jesus had already used this word on another occasion, when in speaking to James and John when He asked them whether they could drink the chalice, which He was to drink. Mt (20:22) This chalice then was so bitter **because Jesus knew that His drinking it would not only be without fruit for the damned**, but also would be a scandal for them on account of their despising it.



Jesus said, **“Take this cup away from Me, but not what I will but what you will”**. Christ uttered these words to inform us that He desired all should live. Jesus asked that no one, if possible, should lose hope and desire death. His sorrows should be superabundant for all, that it should be valued. But since His petition was **not** possible, He would surrender Himself to the will of His Father’s Justice. Jesus repeated this petition three times at different intervals, **pleading the**

longer in His agony in view of the importance of the damned.

Brothers, its extremely important we consider and meditate upon the "cup" in which Jesus is commanded by the Father to drink from. To suffer the suicidal depressions of the damned caused the physical death of Jesus. We must gain a true appreciation for this extreme pain. We must examine intently in order to understand how Jesus was tempted with suicidal depression.

According to the Father's will, all men are taught the Natural Law by the Father, and all those who practice the Natural Law will be given the spirit to find the Son.

Jn 6:45 It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Every one who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me. (Jesus)

The difference between the Father's will and the Human will of Jesus is this, the Father requires mankind to listen to the Natural Law and apply it to their actions and the human will of Jesus wanted all men to be saved without conditions. Jesus submitted to the Father's will when He said, **“Not My will but Yours be done.”**

According to our way of understanding, there was an altercation between the humanity and the Divinity of Christ. For His Humanity, in its intense Love for men, desired **that all** should have a reason to live forever through His Passion; while His Divinity, in justice, had fixed the number of those written in

the Book of life and ***could not force men to appreciate how Jesus took upon their sorrows.*** The damned by their own freedom had no experience valuing the sorrows of others because they were too busy during life trying to fulfill their passions. (Dopamine)

Brothers, how do you know if a person loves you? A person loves you if that person does not sin against you. For you see, sin causes sorrow in another. When people love one another they take upon themselves each other sorrows and record the sorrows in their hearts. Jesus went beyond both of these by experiencing the actual emotions of all men. He truly felt mankind's sorrows in the same way we feel our personal sorrows. His love is so close to us that He felt our every pain.

Temptation and Obedience Of Jesus.

When Jesus said, "***My soul is sorrowful even to death***", He was saying to us that He was being tempted. In the Book of Hebrews it says that Jesus was tempted, but Hebrews does not explain how.

Heb 4:15 **For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been *tempted* as we are, yet without sin.**

If we want to understand the temptation that Jesus experienced, we must realize the sorrows He endured was so great He was going to the very edge of losing hope and suicidal depression. On this night and the following day He was

going to experience the total sum of every man's depressions. The greatest of these emotions was the loss of hope that the damned experienced or in the future will experience. This pain is so intense that souls would rather not exist; it's called hell. Mankind's emotions of depression and lose of hope caused the soul of Christ to experience "death". Again I say; He felt every man's sorrow and this pushed His soul into suicidal emotions. Consider how the weight of this pain shook and crushed the very soul of Jesus. Isaiah says He was crushed. Is (53:5)

Isaiah 53:5 **But He was pierced for our offenses, *crushed for our sins*, Upon Him was the chastisement that makes us whole, by His stripes we were healed.**

We must realize that people commit suicide for many different reasons. Here on earth when a person kills himself, each person has a different reason that caused his suicidal depression. Suicide after physical death works in the same way, souls commit spiritual suicide for many different reasons. When our hearts are in love with people, places, things or wealth, when we lose such things we fall into depression which can easily lead to suicidal depression.

Jesus knew that by experiencing such pain, that He would even question His own emotions. Can you see how this could cause a temptation in the soul of Jesus? For you see, our emotions must match the event. His desire to live was placed on the edge. Jesus knew that by experiencing the depressions of humanity that He was going to be dragged down

with them. Let me say this, each one of us could easily be dragged down into suicide by just uniting ourselves to one soul that committed suicide. **Jesus experienced billions of suicides.** This is not physical suicides, but rather souls who fail their Final Tests.

Every day of Jesus' life, during prayer, He would unite Himself to the depressions of man, but only some, not all. Thus it could be said that He was preparing Himself for this final day of ultimate depression. Emotionally, Jesus had no desire to experience the depressions of those who would reject His compassion. (The damned.) However, it was obedience to the Father's will that ruled His decision to experience the sorrows of the damned. He was obedient to the Father's command. And the reason why He obeyed was because He knew that all men deserved being loved. What I mean is this, **all men deserved to know that their sorrows were recorded in the heart of Jesus.**

Phil 2:8 And being found in Human form Jesus humbled Himself and became **obedient unto death**, even death on a Cross.

It's very important to understand that Jesus was obedient to the Father's will to experience all the sorrows of man, including the damned. Why was it important that Jesus experience the suicidal depressions of the damned? Simply, each soul deserves to know he is loved. Saying "I love you" proves nothing. But recording the feelings of another is love.

Brothers, recall how Jesus washed the feet of Judas? I want you to know that love is a personal relationship. At our Final Tests, we will understand verbally and visually how Jesus experienced our individual depressions. We will see His tenderness in the way Judas experienced the washing of his feet. Jesus felt our every sorrow, and His personal concern is truly the ultimate in love. I say it with great sadness most men will react like Judas and reject the kindness of Jesus.

On the other hand, the elect will appreciate how Jesus had recorded their sorrows. And the elect will experience peace if they have appreciation for how Jesus recorded their sorrows. The damned, have no such feelings about the actions of Jesus. And since the damned will not appreciate what Jesus did for them, their hearts will not experience peace.

Heb 2:9 But we see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the Angels, crowned with glory and honor because of the **suffering of death**, so that by the grace of God **He might taste death for every one.**

1) **"He might taste death for every one".**
Again it must be said and understood that all men deserve to know they are loved. Jesus took upon Himself everyman's sorrows.

Heb 2:7 For because He (Jesus) Himself has suffered and been tempted, He is able to help those who are tempted.

1) **"He is able to help those who are tempted".** All men after physical

death will be subjected to the accusations of satan and from souls who are in hell. So realize how each man will be accused by their family and friends because these souls failed their Final Tests and want revenge. During our Final Test our sins will be shown to us by the accusations leveled against us by hell's armies. Such accusations can drive us into suicidal depression.

The Agony Continued.

Lk 22:44 Jesus was in such agony and *He prayed so fervently* that His sweat became like drops of blood falling on the ground.

- 1) "Jesus was in such agony". There is no greater agony than the loss of hope. Without hope, there is no reason to live. Jesus was allowing Himself to be crushed by the total sum of all souls that lose hope.

Ps 35:13 Yet I, when they were ill, I put on sackcloth, afflicted Myself with fasting, sobbed My prayers upon My bosom.

35:14 I went about in grief as for My brother; bent in mourning as for My Mother.

This darkness of losing hope and suicidal depression in which Christ experienced grew in proportion to the sorrows He experienced. Experiencing the suicidal depressions of mankind at their Final Tests, this caused His agony to increase to such an extent that great drops of Bloody sweat were pressed from Him. Although this prayer failed in regard to

the damned; *yet Jesus gained thereby a greater heroic admiration from the elect because He cared with loving affection for the damned.*

Brothers, what is the greatest gift we can receive from God? Know in your hearts, we are invited to share in His uncreated being, that is, Christ's thoughts and emotions.

Michael the Angel Visits Jesus.

The soul of Jesus, in His grief, agreed with the Divinity that all men would not be saved from suicidal death. He accepted suffering for each respectively: for the damned, as sufficient to obtain for them the necessary help, if they would make use of His compassion, and for the just, as a reason to live forever. As an approval of this ruling, while yet Jesus was in His agony, the Father sent the Angel Michael to comfort Him by a physical sign and confirmation of what He already knew; *for the Angel could not tell Jesus anything He did not know.* As was related before, Jesus had suspended the sweet emotion of Divine love from the Divinity, leaving the Soul of Jesus to its full capacity for suffering because He was surrounded by the sins of humanity. (Surrounded by the darkness of sin.) Michael the Angel in physical form and audible words said *that it was not possible for those to be saved who were unwilling to follow the Natural and written laws on their hearts.* Although the elect were smaller in number than the number of the damned; (Only one third of mankind. Zec

(13:8) the saints included His Most Holy Mother; and the Patriarchs, Prophets, Apostles, Martyrs, and the 144,000.

Brothers the only way the Michael could comfort Jesus was to speak about the actions of His Mother and the Saints. It's the sweet incense of the saints conversations and their virtuous actions that comfort Christ. Jn (1:4)

Lk 22:43 **And to strengthen Him an Angel from heaven appeared to Him.**



Questions

- 1) 2/3 of the human race will not profit by Jesus' Passion and _____ His sorrows as useless.
- 2) It was bitter and painful for Jesus to taste the suicidal depression of those that fail their _____. This sorrow has a name called the "_____".
- 3) Jesus knew by drinking from the cup that it would be without fruit for the _____.
- 5) How many times did Jesus plead with the Father to take away the "cup"?
- 6) All men are taught by the _____ the Natural _____.
- 7) There was an altercation between the Humanity and Divinity of Christ. For His Humanity, in its intense _____ for men, desired *that all* should have a reason to live forever through His Passion; while His Divinity, in justice, had fixed the number of those written in the Book of _____ and *could not force men to appreciate how Jesus took upon their _____*.
- 8) Jesus was obedient to the Father's will. The Father required that all men deserved to know that their sorrows were recorded in the _____ of _____.
- 9) Recording the feelings of another in your heart is _____.
- 10) There is no greater agony than the loss of hope. Without hope, there is no reason to live. Jesus was allowing Himself to be crushed by the total sum of all souls that lose _____.
- 11) What was the Angel's name that visited Jesus in garden?
- 12) Mary of Agreda states that the number of elect are _____ in number than the damned.

Jesus Uses the "Light" of Men to Conquer His Temptation.

Jn 1:4 In Him (Jesus) was life, and the life was the *light* of men.

There is a discussion in the Roman Catholic Church that Mary is Co-Redeemer. The verse above states that Jesus and His life is the "light" of other men. These men are the 144,000 and the Most Holy Mary. She is by far the greatest "light" that gives strength to Jesus to carry the sorrows of man. As the moon's light surpasses the total sum of all the light of the stars, Mary's "light" surpasses all the "light" of the 144,000 combined. Saint Paul speaks about the sun, moon and stars when he says: "There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory". 1 Cor (15:36) Paul also speaks about being clothed in the armor of "light". *Put on the Armor of Light!* Rom (13:12) In the Gospel of John, Jesus calls Himself the light.

Jn 1:4 Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the *light* of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

As physical light has seven parts or colors as in a rainbow, Jesus has Seven emotions called the Seven Spirits of God. The Spirit of wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, holy fear and my delight is holy fear. Is (11:2) Our goal is to be trained by grace to put on the seven emotions of Jesus. The colors

represent Jesus emotions. Examples of these emotions are compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, patience, forgiving each other, and love. Love binds all holy and righteous emotions together in perfect harmony.

Christians have no idea that Jesus needed strength to make it through His Passion. Jesus' savior was His Mother. As the Gospel of John says, the life of Jesus is the light of men. Jn (1:4) His Mother's love for mankind is Jesus strength. We are temples of the Holy Spirit, 1 Cor (6:19) thus we share in the emotions of Jesus and become lights. As lights, we will have the ability to love others in the way Jesus loved us. His Mother's love gave Jesus strength to withstand the darkness of sin. He counted Her loving and compassionate actions as reasons to live and suffer.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus describes John the Baptist as a shining light. Jn (5:35) Each of the saints (The 144,000) can be described as "lights" as well. Jesus strengthens His emotions with the actions of the saints. Because Jesus appreciates the actions of love, this strengthens Jesus against the suicidal emotions of those that damn themselves.

Mary is Our Mediator

The term "Mediatix" is used by Mary of Agreda in the City of God to describe the Mother of Jesus. Mediatix refers to the role of the Blessed Virgin Mary as a mediator in giving mankind new ways of grace to train and become holy. Mary has been appearing to mankind since Her

Son's Passion, instructing us how to live holy lives. An example of this is the rosary. Mary reveals how we should train ourselves, called grace, to become worthy of the Seven Spirits of God.

The view that Mary is Mediatrix of all graces has not been formally defined as truth by the past Popes, although petitions for declaring it (along with Co-Redemptrix) have been submitted to the Pope by various cardinals and bishops. Since five Popes have approved Mary of Agreda, and her writings say Mary is Mediatrix, thus indirectly the Popes have approved Mary as Mediatrix. Thus if we use Mary's good counsel by training ourselves with it, we will have a much easier time when we enter our Final Tests. The elect will see Mary during their Final Tests symbolized as the full moon.



Co-Redemptrix

The concept of Co-redemptrix refers to an indirect or unequal but important participation by the Blessed Virgin Mary in our salvation from our accusers at our Final Tests. As of yet the Popes have not given Mary this titled. One day in the future, if this is the Holy Trinity's plan, *a Pope will name the Virgin Mary Co-Redemptrix because She gave Jesus a*

reason to live while He experienced the suicidal sorrows of the damned.

Who Can Drink From My Cup?

Mk 10:35 Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him and said to Him, "Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask of You."

10:36 He replied, "What do you wish (Me) to do for you?"

10:37 They answered Him, "Grant that in Your glory we may sit one at Your right and the other at Your left."

10:38 Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. *Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?"*

10:39 They said to Him, "We can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized;

10:40 but to sit at My right or at My left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared."

Jesus asked the Apostles if they could drink from His cup. This question applies to us as well. He is asking us to suffer with Him, *by contemplating the depressions of humanity.* The "cup" is to experience the depression of those that would reject His love. Such is the bitterness in which we are invited. But let me say this, only the 144,000 have actually drunk from this cup with perseverance.

As stars differ in brightness, the 144,000 will drink from Jesus "cup" in different

amounts. The greatest in heaven is the soul that has drank the most from His "cup". We do know the Mother of Jesus will be the greatest because She had the Her Son as trainer to become like Him. The brightest star after our Holy Mother is not known and thus we will need to wait and see the brightness of the Stars at our Final Tests.

Baptism Into His Death.

Rom 6:3 Do you not know that all of us who have been *baptized* into Christ Jesus were *baptized into His death?*

6:4 We were buried therefore with Him by *baptism into death*, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

- 1) *"Baptized into His death"*. When a soul becomes so depressed and angry and no longer wants to live, that soul can be called "dead". Charity no longer lives within him. Let it be known that Jesus took within Himself every man's deep dark depressions. *Truly, He felt the darkness of others of not wanting to live. (Those that fail their Final Tests.)* It should be obvious that Jesus didn't remain permanently in this state, but freed Himself when He physically died on the Cross at 3:00 P.M.

How does *"baptism into death"* pertain to us? In the same way water baptism surrounds the whole body, the suicidal emotions of those that will fail their Final Tests must be within our thoughts many

times during the day. We are required to offer the sorrows of Jesus to the Father to have mercy on sinners. If we fail to do this in this life, we will be forced to watch the destruction of our accusers when we are in purgatory. We are required within our thoughts throughout the day to remember how Jesus tasted death by experiencing the suicidal depressions of those that fail their Final Tests.

Carry The Death Of Jesus In Yourselves.

2 Cor 4:8 We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair;

4:9 persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed;

4:10 *always carrying in the body the death of Jesus*, so that the life of Jesus may also be shown in our bodies.

- 1) *"Always carrying in the body the death of Jesus"*. So I ask you, how do we carry in our bodies the death of Jesus? The answer is the same as *"Baptized into His death"*. We must constantly think about how Jesus tasted death by experiencing the suicidal depressions of those that fail their Final Tests.
- 2) "So that the life of Jesus may also be shown in our bodies". So I ask you, how is the life of Jesus revealed in our bodies? If we appreciate how Jesus recorded our sorrows in His heart, our bodies will come to the rescue of those who are in sorrow. We will help those in sorrow.

2 Cor 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,

1:4 who comforts us in all our affliction, *so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction*, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

1:5 *For as we share abundantly in Christ's sufferings*, so through Christ we share abundantly in comfort too.

- 1) "Who comforts us in all our affliction". So I ask you, how does God comfort us in our affliction? The answer is: Jesus recorded our tears in His heart. If we fail to appreciate how Jesus recorded our every sorrow, we will not find peace and comfort. All souls in hell are there because they never appreciated the actions of Jesus.
- 2) "So that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction". Scripture has given us an answer to why Jesus recorded our every sorrow. By His example we are able to comfort others in their sorrows. That is why Jesus commanded us to love one another as He loved us. Jn (13:34) And why do we need to comfort each other in sorrow? The answer is: We need to comfort those in sorrow to experience the emotions of compassion, mercy, and charity. *We need to feel the emotions of compassion and mercy to feel alive and be at peace.*

Questions.

- 1) A very important verse exists in the Gospel of John that says the life of Jesus is directly connected to the _____ of men.
- 2) The 144,000 and Mary are considered lights. Mary is represented by the _____ and the 144,000 are represented by the _____.
- 3) What has the greater light, the moon or the combined light of the stars?
- 4) _____ calls Himself the light of the world. And He says that John the _____ is a shining light.
- 5) Paul calls us to put on the _____ of light. We need grace as our trainer and we will learn how to put on the emotions of Jesus. Examples of these emotions are _____, _____, lowliness, meekness, _____, forgiving each other and _____.
- 6) If it is God's Plan, a Pope will name the Virgin Mary Co-Redemptrix because She gave Jesus a _____ to live while He experienced the suicidal sorrows of the damned.
- 7) The "cup" in which Jesus didn't want to drink from, but He did drink by obeying the command of the _____ and thus Jesus experienced every man's _____, this same "cup" Jesus is asking us to drink.
- 8) James and John wanted to sit in glory at Jesus _____ and _____ hand. But

Jesus responded by saying; "Can you drink from the cup I _____ or baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized"?

- 9) ***"Baptized into His death"*** is an invitation for us to contemplate the thoughts and emotions of Christ pertaining to when He experienced the _____ of the damned.
- 10) So I ask you, how do we carry in our bodies the death of Jesus? We must constantly think about how Jesus tasted _____ by experiencing the suicidal depressions of those that fail their Final Tests
- 11) So I ask you, how does God comfort us in our affliction? The answer is: Jesus recorded our _____ in His heart.
- 13) And why do we need to comfort each other in sorrow? The answer is: We need to comfort those in sorrow to experience the emotions of _____, mercy, and _____. ***We need to feel the emotions of compassion and mercy to _____ and be at peace.***

Why Is Jesus Groaning?

God calls upon the prophet Ezekiel, who was captive with other Jews in Babylon in the Old Testament, to groan. God would speak to Ezekiel and gave him a name called "son of man". The verse below foretells how Jesus groans for the salvation of men.

Ez 21:11 As for you, Son of man, groan!
With shattered strength groan bitterly.
21:12 And when they ask you, ***"Why are you groaning?"*** You shall say: Because of a report; when it comes every heart shall fail, every hand shall fall helpless, every spirit shall be afraid, and every knee shall run with water. See, it is coming; it is here! Says the Lord GOD.

- 1) ***"Because of a report"***. The purpose of the Old Testament prophets is to inform men about the events after death. God used events that happened long ago to described events after death. This report is speaking about the Final Test. Because people are not prepared, every heart shall fail, every hand shall fall helpless, every spirit shall be afraid, and every knee shall run with water.

Zec 13:8 ***In all the land, says the LORD, two thirds of them shall be cut off and perish, and one third shall be left.***

- 1) ***"Two thirds of them shall be cut off and perish"***. People will disagree and the Popes have never said this, Scripture has announced in the verse above that 2/3 of the human race will suffer suicidal depression and ask for death at their Final Tests. In the Book of Revelation, God had revealed that 1/3 of the angels followed Lucifer' rebellion.
Rev (12:4) Thus we have equal number souls in heaven and hell.

Heaven= 2/3 Angels + 1/3 men
Hell= 1/3 angels + 2/3 men

Rev 12:3 And another portent (sign) appeared in heaven; behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems upon his heads.

12:4 His tail swept down a **third of the stars (Bad angels.)** of heaven, and cast them to the earth. (The center of the earth is where hell is located.)

Heb 5:7 In the days when He (Jesus) was in the flesh, He offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to God.

Brothers, I would like to point out that Jesus started preaching at age 30. So why did He wait so long? You must understand virtue is practiced away from the eyes of the world. Mt (6:3) The greatest virtue is Love and there is no greater act of Love than intercession. So I say to you, imitate Christ's sorrow. Walk with Him on His painful path and offer His sorrows to the Father on behalf of the human race.

My son, say to My people, Christian love is to grieve over the sins of men, for this is the virtue I practiced day and night while I was on earth. **Pray as I did with the faces of your brothers fixed in your minds.** Pray for every person I place in your lives. **Pray especially for those who are unkind to you and those who you do not like. Remember, I love each of you, to hate them, you hate Me.** Study My Passion and I will give you "tears" to understand. For you do not know how to intercede as you ought, but My Spirit will make an intercession for you with crying that cannot be expressed in speech. Rom (8:26)

Once I Was Dead.

In the Book of Revelation, Jesus said to Apostle John, that He was once dead. What does this mean?

Rev 1:17 When I (John) caught sight of Him, (Jesus) I fell down at His feet as though dead. He touched me with His right hand and said, "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last,

1:18 the one who lives. **Once I was dead,** but now I am alive forever and ever. I hold the keys to death and the netherworld. (Hades)

The death in which Jesus was referring too was the depressions and suicides of mankind. This darkness pulled the soul of Jesus into darkness. His soul was immersed in the suicidal emotions of the damned; that is why he called Himself dead.

key = knowledge



Wages of sin is death called hell.

The keys represent knowledge. Lk (11:52) All souls that end up in suicidal depression never had the knowledge that their sins would lead them to death. Jesus had the keys, the damned never took

seriously the warnings and doctrines of Moses and the prophets. For example recall the story about the rich man and Lazarus.

Lk 16:19 “There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.

^{16:20} And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores,

^{16:21} who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table; moreover the dogs came and licked his sores.

^{16:22} The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s bosom. The rich man also died and was buried;

^{16:23} and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom.

^{16:24} And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.’

^{16:25} But Abraham said, ‘Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish.

^{16:26} And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’

^{16:27} And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house,

^{16:28} for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’

^{16:29} But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.’

^{16:30} And he said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if some one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’

^{16:31} He said to him, ‘*If they do not hear Moses and the prophets*, neither will they be convinced if some one should rise from the dead.’

We are told in the parable above that knowledge (key) is found in the law of Moses and also in the warnings of the prophets. Without this key called knowledge, given to us from God, we will perish in the lake of fire called suicidal death.

2 Tim 3:16 All scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for *training in righteousness*,

^{3:17} that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

Jb 36:1 If they obey and serve God, they spend their days in prosperity, their years in happiness.

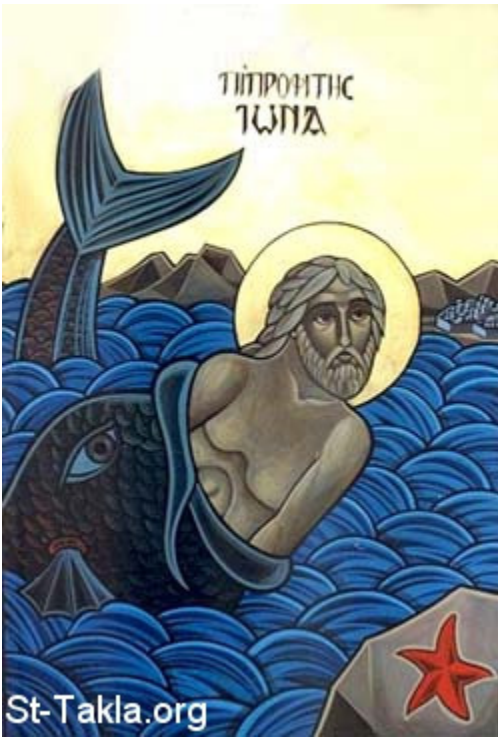
^{36:2} But if they obey not, they perish; *they die for lack of knowledge.*

In The Heart Of The Earth.

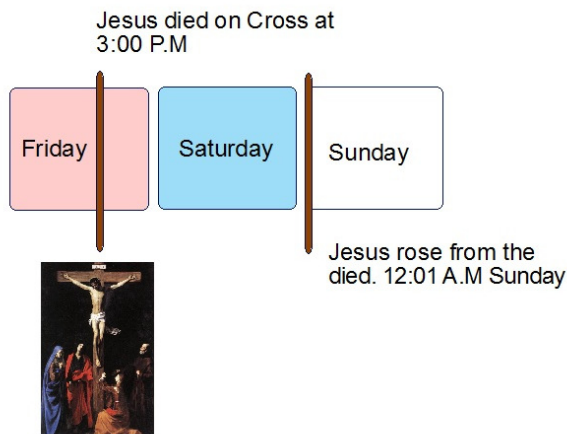
Before Jesus was crucified, Jesus spoke about how that the Son of Man would be in the heart of the earth for three days and three nights. What does this mean? Does this pertain to Jesus being buried and rising from the dead? The explanation is complicated and the explanation below needs to be read more than once.

Mt 12:40 Just as Jonah was in the belly of

the whale three days and three nights, so will the Son of Man be in the *heart of the earth* three days and three nights.



In order to understand the riddle above, first realize Jesus is not speaking about His death, burial and resurrection. Jesus died on Good Friday at 3:00 PM and rose from the dead on Easter Sunday at 12:00 AM. Jesus was in the tomb 33 hours. Thus Jesus wasn't in the tomb three days and three nights.



Let's consider first then the emotions of Jesus when He lived upon the earth. In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus said:

Mt 8:20 And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man has nowhere to lay his head.”



Behold how the above riddle is a complaint made by Jesus. He says He has no place upon the earth to be comfortable. Jesus desires a place that's suited to His holiness and glory, a place where His people care about the sorrows of others. Instead this earth is the home of foxes and birds. The foxes represent clever and crafty men. Jesus calls Herod that “fox”. Lk (13:33) In the Book of Ezekiel, Scripture calls Israel's false prophets “foxes” that follow their own spirit and seen nothing. Ez (13:4) And this complaint is not only for Jesus' time period but throughout the ages. We should realize that “foxes” have created the many Christian theologies.

As for the birds, Scripture says the birds of the air neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns. Jn (4:37) In order to understand the “sowers”, “reapers” and “birds”, we

need a complete understanding of the Final Test. (See chapter) The important point is this, the elect require food for the soul at their Final Tests and this food is peace. They can obtain this peace when they appreciate the virtuous actions of the 144,000 who imitated Jesus. The 144,000 are men who "plant or sow" virtuous actions of love in the way Jesus loved us. The elect see themselves very much loved by the saints and this causes peace. The "birds" are neither sowers nor reapers, which mean they are neither the 144,000 nor the elect. The only group that remains is the damned. In other words, *the birds represent the damned.*

The complaint of Jesus is very real because false prophets and the damned have made homes on earth, but the Son of Man has no home here. Jesus has nothing in common with those that commit sin.

Let us continue the analogy with another important verse that describes how Jesus felt about His stay on earth.

Jn 2:23 While Jesus was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in His Name when they saw the signs He was doing.

2:24 But *Jesus would not trust Himself to them* because He knew them all,

2:25 and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He Himself understood it well.

We must warn ourselves that believing in Jesus is far from making Jesus at peace. Jesus was grieved about how people would believe in Him for the wrong reasons. The corruption of man's hearts

grieved Him. Jesus said in the Gospel of Matthew:

Mt 7:21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the Kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of My Father in heaven.

7:22 *Many* will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your Name? Did we not drive out demons in Your Name? Did we not do mighty deeds in Your Name?'

7:23 Then I will declare to them solemnly, 'I never knew you. Depart from Me, you evildoers.'

Even though many men will believe in Jesus, *He will not trust His heart to them.* Thus He has no place to lay His head. For we must understand, Jesus thoughts are far different than our thoughts. As Scripture points out by saying:

Is 55:9 As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are My (God) ways above your ways and My (God) thoughts above your thoughts.

Scripture likens our thoughts as earthly and Jesus thoughts as heavenly. Jesus lived here upon the earth experiencing the sorrows of mankind. Thus He experienced man's earthly thoughts and ways. Recall in the Gospel of Luke how Jesus grew in wisdom. Lk (2:52) True, Jesus knows all things because He is God, but experiencing the sorrows and depressions of others requires an element called "time". And "time" can only be experienced in the flesh. *Growing in wisdom means experiencing the sorrows of others.* To grow in this kind of

wisdom, God become Man. Some people think Jesus learned and experienced life like other children. If Jesus grew in wisdom like other children, He couldn't be God. Since Jesus is God, He knew all things and His actions were of the highest perfection. *Thus the only way Jesus could grow in wisdom was by experiencing the sorrows of each man.*

Lk 2:52 And Jesus increased in *wisdom* and in stature, and in favor with God and man.

If we dive deep into earth, we arrive at the heart of the earth. Symbolically speaking, this is where we can find the greatest suicidal pains; yes the center of hell. Recall how man is made of clay. Gn (2:7) And clay is earth and water. If a man sins against God, it's like water being removed from clay, then only dried earth remains.

As I have already said, Jesus spent His time in prayer experiencing the depressions of those that failed their Final Tests. Keeping this in your minds, return to Matthew 12:14. The Son of man will be in the *heart of the earth* three days and three nights. Jesus is speaking symbolically. He is not spending three actual days inside the earth, but rather He is on a journey.

In the physical world, three days is obviously a period of time. The three days represents a journey of the soul and is directly associated with the three powers. (Memory, understanding and heart.) In order for Jesus to record the sorrows of others, He would need to apply His memory, understanding and

heart to this task. And this journey requires the "element" of time.

- a) Three-day journey in the physical world is associated with a soul's journey using the three powers of the soul.
- b) The earth's center is associated with the suicidal depressions of the damned.
- c) Christ utilized the three powers of His soul and contemplated the suicidal depressions of the damned. Thus fulfilling the riddle, "The Son of man will be in the *heart of the earth* three days and three nights". The "day" represents the sorrows of men here upon the earth. The "night" represents the sorrows of men at their Final Tests.

Another important verse in the Book of Revelation reveals again the emotions of Jesus. After His death and resurrection, Jesus speaks to Apostle John and says:

Rev 3:7 For you (You refers to men in general.) say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing; not knowing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked.

Mankind needs to know that Jesus is speaking to us when He says we are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked.

Do you think this statement applies only to some of the people? No, but rather it applies to all mankind except for the saints who are rescued in the first three watches of the Final Test. The complaint

is clear; the Spirit of Jesus has no place to lay His head.

Questions.

- 1) God calls upon Ezekiel to goan bitterly. Ezekiel was instructed to tell the people when they asked about his groaning to say: Because of a _____: when it comes every heart shall fail, every hand shall fall helpless.
- 2) Take seriously the goaning of the son of man. Realize every man when he dies will see the devil and the damned. He will be so scared that scripture describes his spirit as afraid and his knee shall run with _____.
- 3) The prophets of the old Testament are describing events _____.
- 4) Lucifer's tail swept a _____ of the stars of heaven, and cast them to the _____.
- 5) When Jesus was on earth, He offered prayers with loud cries and _____ to God.
- 6) The Popes have never said how many men will be in hell, but a Scripture verse from Zechariah says: In all the land, says the LORD, two thirds of them shall be cut off and _____, and _____ third shall be left.
- 7) At what age did Jesus begin preaching?
- 8) Christian love is to grieve over the _____ of men, for this is the virtue Jesus practiced day and night while He was on earth.
- 9) Jesus' soul was immersed in the suicidal emotions of the damned; that is why he called Himself _____.
- 10) Jesus holds the keys of death. The keys represent _____. The damned never took seriously the warnings and _____ of Jesus.
- 11) Jesus died on Good Friday at _____ PM and rose from the dead on Easter Sunday at 12:01 AM. Jesus was in the tomb _____ hours. Thus Jesus wasn't in the tomb three days and three nights.
- 12) "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have _____; but the Son of man has nowhere to lay his _____."
- 13) What do foxes symbolize?
- 14) The birds represent the _____.
- 15) Many Jews believed in Jesus name when they saw the miracles He was doing. But Jesus would not _____ Himself to them because He knew _____ nature.
- 16) We must do the _____ of the Father to enter the Kingdom of God.
- 17) Jesus knows all things because He is God, but experiencing the sorrows and depressions of others requires an element called "_____". And "_____"

can only be experienced in the flesh. Growing in _____ means experiencing the sorrows of others.

- 18) Three-day journey in the physical world is associated with a soul's journey using the three powers of the _____. Name these three powers?
- 19) Christ utilized the _____ powers of His soul and contemplated the suicidal depressions of the damned. Thus fulfilling the riddle, "The Son of man will be in the _____ of the earth three days and three nights". The "day" represents the _____ of men here upon the earth. The "night" represents the sorrows of men at their _____.

Who is the son of man?

In the four Gospels, it seems as if Jesus addresses Himself as the son of man. The son of man is used to designate Jesus no fewer than eighty-one times. Thirty times in St Matthew, fourteen times in St Mark, twenty-five times in St Luke, and twelve times in St John. In the Gospel of John, Jesus asks the man He cured from blindness, do you believe in the Son of Man?

Jn 9:35 Jesus heard that they had cast him (blind man.) out, and having found him Jesus said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?"

9:36 He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?"

9:37 Jesus said to him, "You have seen Him, and it is He who speaks to you."

Jesus calls Himself in the following ways as:

"I am meek and lowly in heart." Mt (11:29)

"I am the living Bread." Jn (6:51)

"I am the light of the world." Jn (8:12)

"I am the door of the sheep." Jn (10:7)

"I am the good Shepherd." Jn (10:14)

"I am the Son of God." Jn (10:36)

"I am in the Father." Jn (10:38)

"I am the resurrection and the life." Jn (11:25)

"I am the way and the truth, and the life." Jn (14:6)

"I am the true vine." Jn (15:1)

"I am the Alpha and the Omega." Rev (21:6)

People who study Scripture were of the opinion that the expression "son of man" was used out of humility and to show Jesus' Human nature. Others thought that Jesus used this title in order not to make His enemies angry, to hide the fact that Jesus was the Messiah or the anointed Savior. But actually someone asked Jesus the question "Who is the son of man?"

Jn 12:34 The crowd answered Jesus, "We have heard from the law that the Christ remains for ever. How can you say that the Son of man must be lifted up? **Who is this son of man?"**

12:35 Jesus said to them, "The **light** is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the **light**, lest the darkness overtake you; he who walks in the darkness does not know where he goes.

12:36 While you have the **light**, believe in the **light**, that you may become sons of **light.**" When Jesus had said this, He departed and hid Himself from them.

"Who is the son of man? When Jesus responded to the question, it seems as if Jesus ignored the question and changed the subject. But in fact, Jesus answers the question by saying that the son of man is the light. But what or who is the light?

We need to recall how Jesus calls John the Baptist the light?

Jn 5:32 **He** (John the Baptist) **was a burning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his *light*.**

Not only does Jesus call Himself the light, Jn (8:12) but Jesus preaches that each man should become lights.

Matt 5:14 "You are the ***light*** of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid.

5:15 Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house.

5:16 ***Let your light so shine before men,*** that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. (Refers to the 144,000 as lights at our Final Tests.)

What kind of good works represent the light? Isaiah answer this question by writing:

Is 58:6 This, rather, is the fasting that I (God) wish: releasing those bound unjustly, untying the straps of the yoke; Setting free the oppressed, breaking every yoke;

58:7 ***Sharing your bread with the hungry,*** sheltering the oppressed and the homeless; Clothing the naked when you see them, and not turning your back on your own.

58:8 Then your ***light*** shall break forth like the dawn, and your wound shall quickly be healed; Your vindication (Means sins are forgiven.) shall go before you, and the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

By combining the verses, we can say that the son of man is a light. The light represents good actions that other men can see. In the verse below, Isaiah says the man that holds a tight grip on keeping justice and doing righteousness is the son of man.

Is 56:1 Thus says the LORD: "Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon My salvation will come, and My deliverance be revealed.

56:2 Blessed is the man who does this, and the ***son of man*** who holds it fast, who keeps the Sabbath, not profaning it, and keeps his hand from doing any evil."

The Greek word for "son of man" means offspring of mankind, or man's child. By combining scripture with this definition, the ***son of man is a human soul that gives birth to the virtues.***

The Prophet Ezekiel is addressed by God as "son of man" ninety times. Daniel the prophet is addressed by the angel Gabriel as the son of man one time. There are no other people in Scripture called the son of man.

The reason why Jesus speaks about the son of man is to reveal how the 144,000 become like stars in the night sky at our Final Tests. Each time Jesus speaks about the son of man, He reveals the spiritual duties of the 144,000 at our Tribulations.

1 Cor 15:41 There is one glory of the sun, (Jesus) and another glory of the moon, (Mary) and another glory of the **stars; (144,000)** for star differs from star in glory.

The reason why Ezekiel is called the son of man is because of the virtue he was commanded to practice called intercession. ***Ezekiel is commanded by God to do penance for the sins of Jerusalem.*** Ez (4:5) The greatest virtue is to lay down our lies for the salvation of souls.

Why Must the Son of Man Die?

Even today men do not understand that Jesus was speaking about the 144,000. Jesus is actually instructing the 144,000 the conditions in which they must be prepared.

As stars and lights in the night sky which will be visible to men at their Final Tests, the 144,000 will witness many souls who will reject their encouragements and the Gospels.

Mk 8:31 And Jesus began to **teach** them that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and **after three days rise again.**

- 1) "Son of man must suffer many things". As lights in the night sky, the 144,000 experience the sorrows of men going through their Final Tests.
- 2) "be rejected by the elders". The elders represents a soul's established sinful actions.

- 3) "Chief priests". The chief priest represents the soul's three powers. (Memory, understanding and heart.) Never forget that each soul can be described as having a temple and a priest. Our priest is our memory, understanding and heart.
- 4) The scribes represent the spiritual beliefs of the soul. (Their cannon or list of faith or beliefs.) This is because the soul has written or scribed his personal spiritual beliefs on his heart. When a soul fails his Final Test, his sinful actions and religious beliefs, using the power of his soul, rejects the encouragement and Gospel of the 144,000. The 144,000 will experience the same exact emotions of the soul during its Final Test. Thus the 144,000 will feel severe suicidal depression and sorrow. Thus the 144,000 and their three powers will experience the suicidal emotions of the damned. The passage of time of three days represents the journey.

Three days = journey of the 144,000 experiencing the suicidal emotions of the damned using their three powers of their souls. (memory, understanding and heart.)

Since the 144,000 are experiencing death through the suicidal emotions of those failing the Final Test, the 144,000 are described as being killed. The 144,000 are released from these emotions of

the damned, and thus the 144,000 can be likened to rising from the dead. The 144,000 rise again to become stars in the night for other souls during their Final Tests.

So why is it necessary for the 144,000 to experience the deadly emotions of the damned? The 144,000 experience the suicidal emotions of the damned is to fully realize how Jesus was tempted with suicidal depression. The 144,000 become more like Jesus. One of the differences between Jesus and the 144,000 is this. Jesus experienced every man's sorrow, the 144,000 experienced a much smaller number of men and their depressions. We must realize our goal is to receive the Seven Spirits of Jesus. And the Seven Spirits of Jesus are the thoughts and emotions of Jesus. Since Jesus laid down His life to experience all sorrow, we must have a similar goal to experience as much sorrow as possible.

First Watch And Jesus Appreciation.

Lk 12:37 Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when He comes; truly, I say to you, He will gird Himself and have them sit at table, and **He will come and serve them.**

12:38 If He comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them so, blessed are those servants!

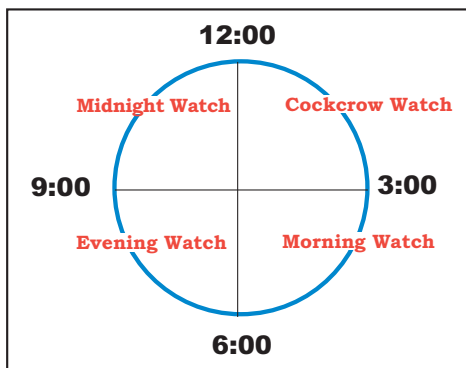
12:39 But know this, that if the householder had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into.

12:40 You also must be ready; for the **Son of man** is coming at an unexpected hour."

- 1) "Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when He comes". This line about the servants is a reference to the 144,000. (First watch) The 144,000 had become like Jesus loving others in the way Jesus loved all men.
- 2) "He will gird Himself and have them sit at table, and **He will come and serve them**". Jesus will respond very quickly to the 144,000 at their Final Tests. Oh what joy will the 144,000 have when they experience the appreciation Jesus has for them. For example, people have given other people charity when there was no hope, and the receiver's appreciation turns into joy in the hearts of both giver and receiver. But Jesus appreciation will be most perfect. Oh happy will the 144,000 be when they experience His admiration. Clearly this is the highest joy when our Creator shows His sensitive awareness. Oh the taste of sweetness that the 144,000 will enjoy forever. **The 144,000 gave Jesus hope when He was surrounded by no hope.** And they will enjoy how Jesus appreciates them forever. Such is the love that occurs between the Jesus and the 144,000. (The 144,000 gave Jesus hope when the 144,000 loved others in the way Jesus loved all men. Jesus used this light of the 144,000 as a source of strength during His Passion and Death on the Cross.)

3) "If He comes in the second watch, or in the third and finds them so, blessed are those servants!". Scripture likens the Final Test as occurring at night. And the Roman Empire divided the night into four watches.

- a) First Watch: At the setting sun (6:00 PM) to 9:00 PM.
- b) Second Watch: 9:00 PM to Midnight.
- c) Third Watch: Midnight to 3:00 AM
- d) Fourth Watch: 3:00 AM until raising sun.



To be surrounded by the darkness of night represents the arrogance, anger and envy of our accusers. God has empowered the armies of hell this power. The judgment of God occurs like this: The actions and deeds of a man will determine when that man will be rescued from his enemies. The longer into the night watches, the greater the terror. As saint John says; fear and terror have to do with punishment. 1 Jn (4:18) The 144,000 had fulfilled their obligation to be their brother's keeper and had no fear.

The 144,000 are rescued in First Watch.

- 4) "You also must be ready; for the Son of man is coming at an unexpected hour." Scripture is one riddle and mystery after another. So let's continue revealing Scriptures mysteries. The "unexpected hour" refers to the elect in the fourth watch. Clearly men do not know when they will physically die. But the 144,000 have an advantage that the elect do not have; many are told when they will physically die.

And the son of man is not only a reference to Jesus, but also to the lights in the night sky. (The 144,000 and holy Angels.) At our Final Tests, the lights in the night sky will encourage us with peace and hope. And the greatest light will be the moon, yes the Mother of Jesus. (Note the damned are not given this light of hope from the Holy Mother. The damned do however have the 144,000 as lights. See chapter xxx.)

On that Day of First Judgment, those written in the Book of Life, Rev (3:5) you shall call Me "**My husband**". Hos (2:18) For He who has become your husband is your Maker. Is (54:5) **In your victory I shall rejoice!** Ps (21:2) You are the jewels in a crown raised aloft over My land. Zec (9:16) **Great is My glory in your victory; majesty and splendor you confer upon Me.** Ps (21:6) Amen, I say to you, I will gird Myself, have you recline at My table, and proceed to wait on you. Lk

(12:37) Then you will be able to grasp fully the wideness and length and height and depth of My Love. Eph (3:18) Experiencing this love will surpass all knowledge and you will attain the fullness of Me. Eph (3:19) ***For I will dwell in your hearts with love and love will be your root and foundation forever.*** Eph (3:17)

Brothers, if your desire is to be a member of the 144,000, you must grow in wisdom by recording the sorrows of others when you study Jesus Passion. The fruits of the Spirit of wisdom and the other six Spirits is the 12 virtues.

Questions.

- 1) People who study Scripture were of the opinion that Jesus called Himself the Son of Man because it was an expression of _____ and to show Jesus' _____ nature.
- 2) In the Gospel of John a man questions Jesus why He calls Himself the Son of Man, "Who is this son of man"? It seems as if Jesus ignored the question and changed the subject to the _____.
- 3) John the Baptist is called a _____ by Jesus.
- 4) Our light shall break forth like the dawn when we share our bread with the _____.
- 5) The son of man is a human soul that gives birth to the _____.
- 6) What prophet is called the son of man 90 times?
- 7) There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the **stars**; for star differs from sun in glory. Who is the sun, moon and stars?
- 8) Ezekiel is commanded by God to do _____ for the sins of Jerusalem.
- 9) Jesus foretells that the son of man must suffer. Jesus is speaking first about Himself and He also revealing the suffering of the _____ as lights in the night sky.
- 10) The 144,000 will suffer like Jesus did because they will experience the _____ depressions of those that Fail their _____.
- 11) If our desire is to experience the emotions of Jesus, we must love others in the way Jesus did. If we are found to be worthy examples of love, we will become lights in the _____ sky and offer peace to men going through their _____.
- 12) The Roman's divided the night into how many parts?
- 13) Jesus will rescue souls at their Final Tests during the _____ watches of the night.
- 14) Souls will benefit when they have imitated Jesus because Jesus will come in the early _____ of their Final Tests.

15) At our Final Tests, the lights in the night sky will encourage us with _____ and hope. And the greatest _____ will be the moon, yes the Mother of Jesus.

Jesus Returns To The Apostles To Find Them Asleep.

Jesus returned to the three Apostles, Peter, James and John. But Jesus found them asleep. Before speaking to them or waking them, Jesus looked at them for a moment and wept over them. For He saw them oppressed and buried in this deathly shade of sin because of their own spiritual laziness and negligence. Jesus spoke to Peter and said to him: **“Simon, sleepest? Couldst not watch one hour?”** And immediately He gave him and James and John the answer: **“Watch and pray that you enter not into temptation; for My enemies and your enemies sleep not as you do.”**

Brothers, notice how Jesus calls Peter, Simon. You see Peter means rock. Because Jesus knew that Simon wouldn't live up to his new name “rock”, He called him by his old name.

Mk 14:37 When He returned He found them asleep. He said to Peter, “Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep watch for one hour?

14:38 Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

Mt 26:40 When He returned to His disciples He found them asleep. He said to Peter,

“So you could not keep watch with Me for one hour?”

26:41 Watch and pray that you may not undergo the test. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

- 1) “The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak”. We must all realize it takes much grace to be steady during tribulations. Since grace is our trainer, we need countless number of spiritual exercises to be immovable when our Final Tests come. If we fail our Final Tests, then our spirits were not strong and failed to say no to suicidal depression. Do not allow your days to pass without training with the trainer called grace.

Lk 22:45 And when Jesus rose from prayer, He came to the disciples and found them sleeping for sorrow,

22:46 and He said to them, “Why do you sleep? Rise and pray that you may not enter into temptation.”

Brothers, listen to the words of Jesus; “So you could not keep watch with Me for one hour”. Although His words are directed at Peter, they apply to us as well. Jesus is requiring us to spend one-hour everyday with Him.

The actions of Jesus show us what care and supervision that we are obligated to give one another. Jesus went and awoke the Apostles. Jesus reprimanded Peter because he was placed as head of the rest and because he loudly protested three times just a short time earlier that he would go to prison and would die with

Him. Since Peter made freely these protests, he deserved to be corrected before all the rest. Thomas is also guilty of making a bold prediction when he said:

Jn 11:14 Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead;

11:15 and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him."

11:16 Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, *that we may die with Him.*"

Withdrawing a second time, Jesus prayed again, "My Father, if it is not possible that this cup pass without My drinking it, Your will be done!" Mt (26:24) & Mk (14:39)

Mk 14:39 And again He went away and prayed, saying the same words.

Mt 26:40 Again, for the second time, He went away and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, Your will be done."

Why do you let Me see ruin, why must I look at misery? Destruction and violence are before Me. Hb (1:3) My grief is incurable; My heart within Me is faint. Jer (8:18) The many slain, the heaping corpses, *the endless bodies to stumble upon!* Na (3:3) Tell the wailing women to come, summon the best of them, come quickly and sing a sad funeral hymn for us. Look closely, My eyes are wet with weeping, My cheeks run with tears. Jer (9:16) My Word has become a snare, an obstacle and a stumbling stone. And many shall stumble and fall into emptiness. Is (8:14)

Brothers, throughout His Life, Jesus witnessed in real time, as if He were there in person, the cruelty administered by men upon other men. Trillions of such acts drove Christ's sorrow to the brink of deep depression. Think about it, could we witness and experience the sorrows of humanity and survive?

While I live on this earth, I will cry out to the Eternal Father *My prayer of petition*, Bar (4:20) and say, "Spare, O Father, My people, and make not the human race a discredit". Jl (2:17) Love is the reason why I weep day and night. 1 Cor (13:2) Love is so strong, it cries out to the Father and intercedes for My people with bitter wailing as if for an only child. Jer (6:26)

Ez 21:17 Cry out and wail, Son of Man, for it is destined for My people;
21:20 That every heart may tremble, for many will be the fallen.

Jer 8:18 My grief is incurable, My heart within Me is faint.

8:23 Oh, that My head were a spring of water, My eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night over the slain of the daughter of My people!

Then Jesus returned to Peter, James and John a second time and found them asleep again. For they could not keep their eyes opened.

Mt 26:43 And again He came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy.

Mk 14:40 And again He came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very

heavy; and they did not know what to answer Him.

Jesus left them and withdrew again and prayed a third time, "My Father, if it is not possible that this cup pass without My drinking it, Your will be done!" Mt (26:43)

Mt 26:44 So, leaving them again, He went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words.

Why Does Jesus Sweat Blood?

Stress, pressure, strain, and tension can't properly describe the conditions that a soul experiences at their Final Tests. Mankind had no idea of the coming flood Lk (6:48) and were not expecting to be surrounded by the armies of hell. Lk (19:43) During the daytime of life, when men were placed under stressful conditions, their bodies would sweat. ***But this stress experienced at their Final Tests is so intense that it can be described as the blood vessels bursting.*** On a nightly bases Jesus would experience the extreme emotions caused by the Final Test on the elect and the damned. He would actually feel their emotions and thus His Blood would flow from His capillaries.

The Mother Of Jesus At The Cenacle.

From Her retreat, by divine enlightenment, Mary saw most clearly all the hidden truths and actions of Her Son in the garden. At the same moment when Jesus separated Himself with the three Apostles, Mary separated Herself from

the other women and went into another room. Upon leaving them, She urge strongly to pray and watch. But our holy Mother took with Her the three Mary's, treating Mary Magdalene as the superior of the rest. Secluding Herself with these three, She begged the Father to suspend in Her the light, so that nothing might hinder Her from suffering to the highest degree in union with Her Son. She prayed that She might be permitted to feel all the wounds and tortures about to be undergone by Jesus. The Holy Trinity granted this petition, ***thus the Mother of Jesus suffered all the torments in the exact duplication.*** If the right hand of God had not preserved Her, these torments would have caused Her death many times over. She considered this a great blessing, for in Her love She would have considered it more painful to see Her Son suffer and die without being allowed to share in His torments.

Brothers, in order for the Mother of Jesus to give Jesus a reason to live forever, it was required that She would also experienced the sorrows of mankind. On this night, Jesus was tempted with suicidal depression and it was His Mother's love for humanity that gave Him His reason to seek life.

Jn 1:4 In Him (Jesus) was life, and the life was the light of men.

As I said above, it takes two souls to live forever. Even Jesus needed the light of men to have life.

Brothers, one day in the future, the Catholic Church, the keys of Peter will

declare the Mother of Jesus co-redeemer.
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Co-Redemptrix>

The three Mary's were instructed by the Mother of Jesus to accompany and assist Her in Her afflictions. For this purpose, they were given greater light and grace than the other women. In retiring with them, Mary began to feel sorrow and anguish and She said to them; "My soul is sorrowful because My Son's Soul is sorrowful. Pray, My friends, in order that you may not be overcome by the test". Having said this She went a short distance from them, and She imitated Jesus in His prayers. She also returned at the same intervals to Her companions to motivate them, because She knew of the wrath of the demon against them.

The Mother of Jesus wept over those foreknown who would damn themselves. *For She was highly enlightened in the hidden truths concerning the elect and the damned*, thus She also suffered a bloody sweat, similar to that of Jesus. By divine intervention, Mary was visited by the Angel Gabriel. He explained in careful detail the will of the Father in the same manner that the angel Michael had spoken to Jesus.

Brothers, weigh within your souls how important is the depressions of man, since Jesus and Mary looked upon it with such great anxiety. Most men would reject Jesus' and Mary's compassion and this was their immense bitterness. (This refers to the previous sections on the cup and baptism of death.) We must overcome our ingratitude and baseness by meditating daily on how Jesus took

upon Himself the sorrows of mankind. This is the great science of the 144,000, so little understood by the elect and damned. It is the bread of life, the spiritual food of the childlike, which cause an increase of wisdom. In this science be studious and wise, for with it we can buy ourselves all good things. Rev (3:18) Jesus taught us this science when He said: "I am the way, the truth and the life: no one cometh to My Father except through Me". Jn (14:6) Tell me then, if Christ has made Himself the life and the way for men through His Passion and Death, is it not evident that we must contemplate the sufferings of Christ. Consider the ignorance of men who wish to come to the Father without following Christ, since they expect to "reign" with God without suffering or imitating His Passion, yea without even a thought of accepting any part of His suffering and death, or of thanking Him for it.

Rom 8:14 For those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

8:17 and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, *if only we suffer with Him* so that we may also be glorified with Him.

Brothers, man is quite ignorant to this simple fact, a child of God will suffer with Christ.

2 Cor 1:5 *As we have shared much in the suffering of Christ, so through Christ do we share abundantly in His peace.*

2 Cor 7:11 *Just look at the fruit of this sorrow which stems from God. What a measure of Holy zeal it has brought to*

you.

The Betrayal.

While Jesus occupied Himself in contemplating the sorrows of mankind, Judas sought the delivery of Christ into the hands of the priests and Pharisees. At the same time Lucifer and his demons not being able to divert the will of Judas, changed their tactics and began to incite the Jews to greater cruelty in their dealings with Jesus. Lucifer did not know who this Jesus was, a mere man or the true God. He now resolved to find out by provoking the Jews. For it seemed to Lucifer that if this Man was not God, He certainly must weaken and be conquered by persecutions and torments. If however that this Man was God, as God He would free Himself from such abuse.

Jn 18:2 Judas His betrayer also knew the place, because Jesus had often met there with His disciples.

18:3 So Judas got a band of soldiers and guards from the chief priests and the Pharisees and went there with lanterns, torches, and weapons.

Scripture foretells this unhappy event in the Book of Jeremiah.

Jer 11:9 A conspiracy has been found, the LORD said to me, (Me refers to Jeremiah.) among the men of Judah and the citizens of Jerusalem.

A large band of people, composed of roman soldiers and many Jews came bearing arms, ropes and chains. Judas had insisted upon this precaution; for he

feared that Jesus would perform some miracle for His escape. You see, Judas believed Jesus to be a magician and sorcerer.

Jesus returned a third time and said to Peter, James and John. "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough. The hour has come. Behold, the Son of Man is to be handed over to sinners. Get up, let us go. See, My betrayer is at hand." Mk (14:41)

Mt 26:45 Then He came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

26:46 Rise, let us be going; see, My betrayer is at hand."

Mk 14:41 And He came the third time, and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

14:42 Rise, let us be going; see, My betrayer is at hand."

Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same thought, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin. Pet (4:1)

Brothers, if we are not obeying 1 Pet (4:1) the verse above, then we are sleeping and taking our rest.

Such were the words of Jesus, for He was unwilling to reprehend them more severely. Peter, James and John, being saddened, did not know what to answer Him. They arose and went with Jesus to

join the other eight Apostles. Jesus found them likewise overcome and oppressed by their great sorrow and had fallen asleep. Our Lord then gave orders, that all of them together, *forming one body* with Him as their head, should advance toward the enemy. Jesus again reminded and forewarned all the Apostles of what was to happen. At this time, the noise of the advancing band of soldiers began to be heard.

Mk 14:43 *Then, while He was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived, accompanied by a crowd with swords and clubs who had come from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders.*

Ps 17:10 My ravenous enemies press upon Me; they close their hearts, they fill their mouths with proud roaring.

17:11 Their steps even now encircle Me; they watch closely, keeping low to the ground,

17:12 Like lions eager for prey, like young lions lurking in ambush.

Judas ran up to the meekest Lord, and, as a hypocrite, *hiding his hatred*, he imprinted on Jesus' face the kiss of peace, saying: "God save Thee, Master." This was the signal by which they were to distinguish Jesus as the One whom they should single out from the rest and immediately seize. This unfaithful disciple sought to hide his hatred under the cloak of the friendship.

Lk 22:47 *While Jesus was still speaking, a crowd approached and in front was one of the Twelve, a man named Judas. He went up to Jesus to kiss Him.*

22:48 Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?"

Mk 14:44 *His betrayer had arranged a signal with them, saying, "The Man I shall kiss is the one; arrest Him and lead Him away securely."*

14:45 *He came and immediately went over to Him and said, "Rabbi." And he kissed Him.*

Mt 26:48 Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I shall kiss is the Man; seize Him."

26:49 And he came up to Jesus at once and said, "Hail, Master!" And he kissed Him.

Prv 26:23 *Like the glaze covering an earthen vessel are smooth lips with an evil heart.*

26:24 *He who hates, dissembles with his lips and harbors deceit in his heart;*

26:25 *when he speaks graciously, believe him not, for there are seven abominations in his heart;*

26:26 *though his hatred be covered with guile, his wickedness will be exposed in the assembly.*

- 1) "Seven abominations in his heart". These seven abominations are the seven deadly spirits and the names are; arrogance, anger, envy, spiritual laziness, lust, excessive wealth and excessive pleasure.

Prv 18:24 *There are friends who pretend to be friends, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.* (The second part of the verse refers to the 144,000)

Ob 1:7 *They deceive you, they overpower you those at peace with you; those who eat your bread lay snares beneath you: There is no understanding in him!*



Why Did Judas Betray Jesus?

Hard to believe that a peaceful and Holy man who was Jesus would cause Judas to have emotions of hatred towards Him. And that Judas was willing to sell information to the Pharisees for His location. The beginning of Judas's hate began when Jesus reprimanded him for seeing the splinter in his brothers eye and not seeing the wooden beam in his. Mt (7:3) Judas was making a complaint against Apostle John. He thought that this Apostle and some others were trying to unjustly influence Jesus. As Scripture says, the Apostles had discussions on who was the greatest and who should sit at Jesus' right and left hand. Mk (10:35) This maneuvering for power upset Judas. Even though Jesus reprimanded John for the splinter in his eye, He admonished Judas for a greater sin. For you see Judas was stealing money from the alms. Judas

and the other Apostles were very poor men. And Judas was attracted to this money and became a thief. Jesus obviously knew this and in a veiled way informed Judas of it. But Judas harbored this "injustice" and began to find fault with Jesus and His teaching. Judas stayed as an Apostle of Jesus because he had access to the money. Jn (12:6)

Jesus Reaction To Judas' Betrayal

Mt 26:50 Jesus said to him, "Friend, why are you here?"

Lk 22:48 but Jesus said to him, "Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?"

"Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?" Jesus then sent into the heart of Judas a new and most clear light. Judas saw the injury and treason of his action, the punishment to follow unless he made a true repentance. What Judas clearly understood was: **"Friend, take heed unless you cause your damnation and abuse My meekness by this treason. If you seek My friendship, I will not refuse it to you on account of this deed, as soon as you are sorry for your sin. Consider well your flagrant boldness in delivering Me by a false friendship with a kiss of reverence and love. Remember the benefits you have received of My charity. I am the Son of the Virgin, by whom you have been so often favored with Motherly advice and counsel during your discipleship. Even if it were only for Her sake, you should not commit such a treason as to sell and deliver Her Son. In no way does Her loving**

meekness deserve such an outrageous wrong, for She has never been unkind to you. But although you have now committed this wrong, do not despise Her intercession, for She alone will be powerful with Me. For Her sake I offer you pardon and life, since She has many times ask Me to do so. I assure you, that We love you; as long as you are in life, where there is hope and where We will not deny you our friendship, if you seek it. But if you refuse it, you will merit our separation and eternal punishment and pain”.

Dt 27:25 ‘Cursed be he who accepts payment for slaying an innocent man!’ And all the people shall answer, ‘Amen!’

Questions

- 1) How many times did Jesus call upon the Father “My Father, if it is not possible that this cup pass without My drinking it, Your will be done!”
- 2) The Gospels say that Jesus sweated Blood in the garden. We must realize that Jesus experienced the sorrows of man as each man went through their Final Tests. During the daytime of life, when men were placed under stressful conditions, their bodies would sweat. But this stress experienced at their Final Tests is so intense that it can be described as the _____.
- 3) The Mother of Jesus by a miracle could see Her Son in the garden. When Jesus separated Himself with the three Apostles, Mary did what?
- 4) The Holy Mary prayed that She might be permitted to feel all the _____ and _____ about to be undergone by Jesus. The Holy Trinity granted this petition, thus the Mother of Jesus suffered all the torments in the exact duplication.
- 5) The Mother of Jesus wept over those foreknown who would _____ themselves. *For She was highly enlightened in the hidden truths concerning the _____ and the _____*, thus She also suffered a bloody sweat, similar to that of Jesus.
- 6) Name the Angel that comforted Mary?
- 7) We must overcome our ingratitude and baseness by meditating daily on how Jesus took upon Himself the _____ of mankind. This is the great science of the _____, so little understood by the elect and damned. It is the bread of life, the spiritual food of the childlike, which cause an increase of wisdom.
- 8) Consider the ignorance of men who wish to come to the Father without following Christ, since they expect to “reign” with God without _____ or imitating His Passion, yea without even a thought of accepting any part of His _____ and death, or of _____ Him for it.
- 9) Paul says in Romans that we are children of God if we _____ with Jesus.

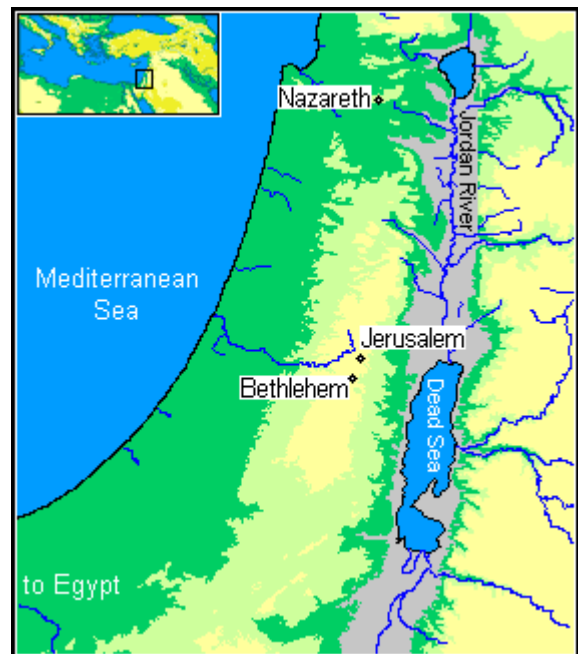
- 10) Suffering with Jesus causes _____ and Holy zeal. (Holy enthusiasm.)
- 11) Since Lucifer couldn't change the mind of Judas in betraying Jesus, Lucifer changed his plan and began to incite the Jews to greater cruelty in their dealings with Jesus. If this was truly God Lucifer reasoned, Jesus would _____ Himself from such abuse.
- 12) Saint Peter in His Epistle tells us how to stop sinning? What does this verse say?
- 13) Name the seven abominations in Judas heart.
- 14) Judas understood how Apostle John and his brother James were trying to gain influence with Jesus. Judas brought the accusation to Jesus and Jesus reprimanded Judas for have wooden beam in his eye. This mad Judas angry at Jesus. Judas didn't leave Jesus and the Apostles because of what reason?
- 15) Jesus was merciful to Judas' treason by informing Judas to repent of this crime or merit separation and _____ punishment.
- 22) Jesus said the Apostles had hardened hearts. A hardened heart is caused by sin, what sin were the Apostles guilty of?

Jesus Faces The Soldiers

After the kiss by Judas, the Lord with His Apostles came face to face with the

soldiers. With authority Jesus then spoke to the soldiers, saying: **"Whom are you looking for?"**

Jn 18:4 Jesus, **knowing everything that was going to happen to Him**, went out and said to them, "Who are you looking for?"
18:5 They answered Him, "Jesus the Nazorean." He said to them, **"I AM."** Judas His betrayer was also with them.



Jesus was born in Bethlehem and grew up in Nazareth after returning from Egypt.

By these words **"I Am"**, Jesus declared Himself the Word of God. It was as if He had said: **"I am who am."**

"I am meek and lowly in heart." Mt (11:29)

"I am the living Bread." Jn (6:51)

"I am the light of the world." Jn (8:12)

"I am the door of the sheep." Jn (10:7)

"I am the good Shepherd." Jn (10:14)

"I am the Son of God." Jn (10:36)

"I am in the Father." Jn (10:38)

"I am the resurrection and the life." Jn (11:25)

"I am the way and the truth, and the life." Jn (14:6)

"I am the true vine." Jn (15:1)

"I am the Alpha and the Omega." Rev (21:6)

As Jesus spoke **"I Am"** His enemies all fell backwards to the ground. This happened not only to the soldiers, but also to the dogs, which they had brought with them, and to the horses on which some of them rode. **All of them fell to the ground and remained motionless like stones.** Lucifer and his demons were hurled down with them, deprived of motion and suffering new confusion. Thus they remained for some seven or eight minutes, showing no more signs of life than if they had died.

Jn 18:6 When He said to them, **"I AM,"** they turned away and fell to the ground.

The enemies of Jesus could not understand the true meaning of these words; "I am He". But His Mother and the Angels understood. It was as if He had said "I am who am". Ex (3:14) I am eternal, infinite, and I have made Myself Man hiding My power.

Ex 3:13 Moses said to God, "When I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to You,' if they ask me, 'What is His Name?' what am I to tell them?"

3:14 God replied, **"I am who am."**

Brothers, Saint John says in His epistle, "He who says 'I know Him' but disobeys His Commandments is a liar, and the

truth is not in him". 1 Jn (1:4) With this statement in mind, it can be said that a man that commits sin does not know God or His Son. The point to be made is this, why should God give us His Name? Our sins are in fact telling us that we don't know Him and that is why the Father and the Son answered as "I Am".

Sadly Jesus contemplated the picture of eternal damnation exhibited in the band of soldiers and listened to the prayer of His Mother to let them rise. Thus She fulfilled the law of loving our enemies and doing good to those who persecute us. Mt (5:44)

When it was time for them to come to themselves, Jesus prayed to the Father, saying: **"My Father, in My hands You have placed all things, and have transferred to Me the loving example required by Your Justice. I wish to satisfy it and give Myself over to My enemies with all My heart, in order to merit for My brethren participation in Your Seven Spirits held out to them"**.

My dear brothers, Jesus was fully aware that the Father had put everything into His power and that He had come from God and was returning to God. Jn (13:3)

Jesus then gave permission to the band of men and animals to arise and be restored to the same condition as before their falling down. A second time Jesus said to them: **"Whom do you seek"?** And they again answered: "Jesus of Nazareth". The Lord answered most meekly: **"I have already told you, that I am He. If therefore you seek Me, let these go their way"**. With these words He gave

permission to His enemies to take Him prisoner and execute their designs.

Jn 18:7 So He again asked them, "Whom are you looking for?" They said, "Jesus the Nazorean."

18:8 Jesus answered, "I told you that I AM. So if you are looking for Me, let these men go."

18:9 This was to fulfill the word which Jesus had spoken, "Of those whom You gave Me I lost not one."

Brothers, when Jesus said let these men go is to bring our attention to the fact the Apostles would have never made it through the events of the Passion. No man could take upon the many sorrows of mankind. Thus none of the Apostles would be lost to temptation caused by depression if subjected to the Passion of Jesus. This also refers to the 144,000 because these lights at our Final Tests can only experience a small percentage of the sorrows of man.

Lucifer's goal was to learn with certainty if Jesus was the leader of the promised hope. Was Jesus the Man-God he saw in the vision? Rev (12:5)

The strongest argument for this was when Jesus said, "I am He". This caused Lucifer and his demons to fall flat with Judas and the soldiers. This had happened only a short time after Lucifer had been permitted to issue from hell. For he had been hurled from the Cenacle, just before Jesus consecrated the bread and wine into His Body and Blood.

When Lucifer received permission to rise from his fall in the garden, he conferred

with the rest of the demons and expressed his opinion that this could not be merely human power. Without a doubt this was the power of One, who is God and at the same time Man. "If He shall die, as we have planned, He will accomplish His Plan that will cause us harm. Then our evil plans will cease and all our intentions will be frustrated. We have erred in seeking His torture. If now we cannot prevent His sufferings, let us see how far His endurance will go. Let's excite His enemies to torture Him with most impious cruelty. Let us stir up their fury against Him. Let's suggest to their minds new insults and torments to be inflicted upon His Person. Let's drive them to vent upon Him all their wrath in order to exhaust His patience. Thus let's carefully study the results". These proposals the demons sought to realize. But divine justice would not permit Christ's executioners to inflict tortures unbecoming to decency, such as, removing all His clothing.

Apostle Peter With His Sword Cuts The Ear Of Malchus.

The first man, who laid hands upon Jesus, was a servant of the high priests named Malchus. In spite of the fear and dismay of the Apostles, Peter, more than all the rest, was roused with a "worldly" zeal for the defense of the honor and life of Jesus. Drawing a sword that he had with him, he made a pass at Malchus and cut off one of his ear, severing it entirely from the head.

Prv 19:2 Without knowledge even zeal is not good; and he who acts hastily, blunders.

Peter's stroke with the sword would have resulted in death, but Jesus would not permit that any other death than His own should occur at His capture. Nor was it His will, *or according to His teaching, that His Person be defended by the use of arms and He did not wish to leave such an example in His Church as one to be imitated for Her defense.* In order to confirm this doctrine, He picked up the severed ear and restored it to its place, perfectly healing the wound and making Malchus more sound and whole than he was before. But first, Jesus turned to Peter and reprehended him, saying: *"Put up your sword into its holder, for all that shall take it to kill with it, shall perish. Do you not want that I drink the chalice, which My Father has given Me? Do you not think that I could ask My Father, and He would give Me many legions of Angels for My defense? But how then shall the Scriptures and the Prophets be fulfilled?"*

Jn 18:10 Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his right ear. The slave's name was Malchus.

18:11 Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its scabbard. Shall I not drink the cup that the Father gave Me?"

Mt 26:51 And behold, one of those who accompanied Jesus put his hand to his sword, drew it, and struck the high priest's servant, cutting off his ear.

26:52 Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its sheath, *for all who take the sword will perish by the sword.* (Refers to the Second Woe, our accusers shall receive the sword from Jesus and His armies.)

26:53 Do you think that I cannot call upon My Father and He will not provide Me at this moment with more than twelve legions of Angels?

26:54 But then how would the Scriptures be fulfilled which say that it must come to pass in this way?"

Mk 14:46 At this they laid hands on Jesus and arrested Him.

14:47 One of the bystanders drew his sword, struck the high priest's servant, and cut off his ear.

Lk 22:50 And one of them struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear.

22:51 But Jesus said in reply, "Stop, no more of this!" Then He touched the servant's ear and healed him.

My son, say to My people, this is a very important lesson to be learned, since I, placed it in all four Gospels. Behold and understand, *your weapons on earth are to return good for evil.*

My son, understand this, to suffer injuries with composure and to pardon them entirely for Me, will be more acceptable in My eyes, than if you choose of your own will to do the most severe penance and shed your own blood for Me. Humble yourself before those who persecute you, love them and *pray for them from your heart.*

Conceive no anger towards any man, for in reality he is an instrument of My Divine providence for your special good. With this knowledge and that many men are capable of salvation as long as they are alive, *should excite you to love them truly with a great fervor.*

You must understand, when you are faced with envy, spite and hatred from men, *loving charity is revealed when a hungry soul desires their salvation.*

My son, say to My people, when a man can suffer an injustice and endure hardship through his awareness of God's presence, this is the work of My Spirit in him. If you do wrong and get beaten for it, what credit can you claim? But if you put up with suffering for doing what is right, this is acceptable in My eyes. *I suffered for you in just this way and left you an example.* When I was insulted, I returned no insult; when I suffered, I did not threaten; instead, I handed Myself over to the one who judges justly. 1 Pt (2:19)

Wis 18:22 And He overcame the bitterness not by bodily strength, not by force of arms; but by word He overcame the punisher,

But I say to you, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. Lk (6:27)

Then Jesus, turning toward His enemies, spoke to them: *"Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to seize Me? But this is your hour, the time for the power of darkness"*.

For Jesus knew and fully understood the cause of their malice, hatred and envy. He had publicly reprehended the vices of the Pharisees and captured the good will of the humble.

Lk 22:52 And Jesus said to the chief priests and temple guards and elders who had come for Him, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs?

22:53 Day after day I was with you in the temple area, and you did not seize Me; but this is your hour, *the time for the power of darkness.*"

The question that we must ask ourselves is, what is darkness?

1 Jn 2:9 He who says he is in the light and hates his brother is in the *darkness* still.

2:10 He who loves his brother abides (lives) in the light, and in it there is no cause for stumbling.

2:11 But he who hates his brother is in the *darkness* and walks in the *darkness*, and does not know where he is going, because the *darkness* has blinded his eyes.

Mk 14:48 Jesus said to them in reply, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs, to seize Me?

14:49 Day after day I was with you teaching in the temple area, yet you did not arrest Me; but that the Scriptures may be fulfilled."

Mt 26:55 At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to seize Me? Day after day I sat teaching in the temple area, yet you did not arrest Me.

Notice, the Lord's enemies could not capture Him without His consent. The reason they could not arrest Him before because He Himself had not given His permission until that hour. Jesus informed them, that the hour of His being

captured, injured and afflicted had come, He said: **“This is your hour and the power of darkness”**. Behold, until then it was necessary for Him to be with men as their Teacher, therefore He did not permit them to take His life. But He desired to complete His model of Love; and therefore He now permitted them to take Him prisoner and to execute their will. Thereupon they fell upon the meekest Lamb like fierce tigers, binding Him securely with ropes and chains in order to lead Him to the house of the high priest.

Jn 18:12 So the band of soldiers, the tribune, and the Jewish guards seized Jesus, bound Him.

Brothers, ***in this life if we fail to rehearse over and over again our Lord's Passion and Death, we will not have the ability to appreciate His charity towards us.***

Brothers, let's not act like fools who want to indulge in the pleasures of this life, while Jesus our Creator has suffered the most bitter ***interior*** pains and torments. For man is not a true son of his Father, who does not imitate Him. Nor is a man a good disciple, who does not follow his Master.

Questions.

- 1) Jesus was known to be from the town of Nazareth and He was called a _____?
- 2) The soldiers that came to arrest Jesus were looking for Jesus the Nazorean and Jesus answered ____ .
- 3) What happened to the soldiers when Jesus answered them "I am"?
- 4) Lucifer and his demons were there when Jesus was arrested. When Jesus said "I am", what happened to them.
- 5) When Moses asked God His name, God replied, ____ .
- 6) Apostle Peter tried to defend Jesus by cutting off the ear of the high priest's servant named _____.
- 7) The book of Proverbs says that zeal (enthusiasm) without _____ is not good.
- 8) Our weapons are not the sword like Peter used but returning _____ for evil.
- 9) When you are faced with envy, spite and hatred from men, loving charity is revealed when a hungry soul desires their _____.