

LUKE 22:39-46 – THE PRAYER IN THE GARDEN

4/4/15 Sat Morn Prayer

Luk 22:39 Coming out, He went to the Mount of Olives, as He was accustomed, and His disciples also followed Him.

Luk 22:40 When He came to the place, He said to them, "Pray that you may not enter into temptation."

Luk 22:41 And He was withdrawn from them about a stone's throw, and He knelt down and prayed.

Luk 22:42 saying, "Father, if it is Your will, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done."

Psa 40:7-8 Then I said, "Behold, I come; In the scroll of the book it is written of me. I delight to do Your will, O my God. And Your law is within my heart."

Luk 22:43 Then an angel appeared to Him from heaven, strengthening Him.

Psa 138:3 In the day when I cried out, You answered me, And made me bold with strength in my soul.

Heb 2:9-11 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one, for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren,

Heb 2:14-18 Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. For indeed He does not give aid to angels, but He does give aid to the seed of Abraham. Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted.

Luk 22:44 And being in agony, He prayed more earnestly. Then His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

Heb 5:7-9 who, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard because of His godly fear, though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him,

Heb 7:25-27 Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. [26] For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens; [27] who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself.

Luk 22:45 When He rose up from prayer, and had come to His disciples, He found them sleeping from sorrow.

Luk 22:46 Then He said to them, "Why do you sleep? Rise and pray, lest you enter into temptation."

In the Garden of Eden, the first Adam stood in rebellion against God.

In Gethsemane, the Last Adam knelt in submission to God (1 Corinthians 15:45) And so it is written, "THE FIRST MAN ADAM BECAME A LIVING BEING." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.

In the Garden of Eden, the first Adam was sentenced to work by the sweat of his brow.

In the Garden of Gethsemane, the Last Adam agonized so deeply that blood flowed from His brow.

Summary:

- **We have work (in prayer) to do alone with the Lord.**
- **Praying to get out or to be spared from difficulties, may well be answered by His strengthening us to go through it to accomplish what He wants.**
- **Consider our Eternal High Priest and what He has done and is doing for us!**
- **Pray, lest you enter into temptation (2X)**

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Text: Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1830-1869; Music: Frederick C. Maker, 1844-1927

1. *Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,
the shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;
a home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
from the burning of the noontide heat, and the burden of the day.*
2. *Upon that cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see
the very dying form of One who suffered there for me;
and from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess:
the wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.*
3. *I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;
content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,
my sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*

Story Behind the Hymn:

Beneath The Cross Of Jesus Author: Elizabeth C. Clephane (1830-1869) Composer: Fredrick Charles Maker (1844-1927)

This great hymn was written in 1868 by a woman **who was sickly and frail**. She could have given up on life and the blessings of God and died without leaving any footprints in the sand. Instead she, like most of the Scottish Presbyterians of her day were devout Christians and took their faith in God seriously. This **included daily Bible study**, helping the needy in the community, feeding the hungry, *etc.* She had a **personality that made her cheery and refreshing to be around. Although sick she always had a smile.** Elizabeth was only thirty-nine when she died, but she left us a legacy that stands higher than life itself.