Live a Life of Prayer

Luke 22:39-42. Pray Earnestly – Constantly

Jesus Prays on the Mount of Olives

³⁹ Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him. ⁴⁰ On reaching the place, he said to them, "Pray that you will not fall into temptation." ⁴¹ He withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed, ⁴² "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done."

Hebrews 4:14-16. We can come in Confidence

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Lamentations 3 Grace

- ² Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.
- ²³ They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
- ²⁴ I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion; therefore I will wait for him"
- ²⁵ The LORD is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him;
- ²⁶ it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.
- ²⁷ It is good for a man to bear the yoke while he is young.
- ²⁸ Let him sit alone in silence, for the LORD has laid it on him.
- ²⁹ Let him bury his face in the dust—there may yet be hope.
- ³⁰ Let him offer his cheek to one who would strike him, and let him be filled with disgrace.

³¹ For no one is cast off by the Lord forever.

³² Though he brings grief, he will show compassion, so great is his unfailing love.

³³ For he does not willingly bring affliction or grief to anyone.

- ³⁴ To crush underfoot all prisoners in the land,
- 35 to deny people their rights before the Most High,
- ³⁶ to deprive them of justice—would not the Lord see such things?
- ³⁷ Who can speak and have it happen if the Lord has not decreed it?
- ³⁸ Is it not from the mouth of the Most High that both calamities and good things come?
- ³⁹ Why should the living complain when punished for their sins?
- ⁴⁰ Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the LORD.
- ⁴¹ Let us lift up our hearts and our hands to God in heaven, and say:
- ⁴² "We have sinned and rebelled and you have not forgiven.

1 Thessalonians 5:16 – 18.

¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray continually, ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances;

for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Peter 5:7 Christians take your burdens to God

⁷Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

John 17:1,9,12,18 Pray for the Lost, your enemies

Jesus Prays to Be Glorified

1. After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:

"Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you.

⁹ I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours.

¹² While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by^[a] that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled.

 $^{\rm 18}\,\mathrm{As}$ you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world.