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Mark 14:32-72

Mark 15:1-41

Jesus in Gethsemane

³² They came to a place named Gethsemane; and He said to His disciples, "Sit here until I have prayed." ³³ And He took with Him Peter and James and John, and began to be very distressed and troubled. ³⁴ And He said to them, "My soul is deeply grieved to the point of death; remain here and keep watch." ³⁵ And He went a little beyond them, and fell to the ground and began to pray that if it were possible, the hour might pass Him by. ³⁶ And He was saying, "Abba! Father! All things are possible for You; remove this cup from Me; yet not what I will, but what You will." ³⁷ And He came and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep watch for one hour? ³⁸ Keep watching and praying that you may not come into temptation; the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." ³⁹ Again He went away and prayed, saying the same words. ⁴⁰ And again He came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to answer Him. ⁴¹ And He came the third time, and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? It is enough; the hour has come; behold, the Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴² Get up, let us be going; behold, the one who betrays Me is at hand!" **Mark 14:32-42 NASB**

- The Garden of Gethsemane (oil press or olive press)
 - Jesus leads them all to Gethsemane and then takes Peter, James, and John to a prayer spot. He tells them that He is deeply distressed. (v32-34)
 - Jesus went a little farther and fell to the ground in agonizing prayer. He cries out, "Abba Father!" (v35-36)

For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!" **Romans 8:15 NASB**

Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" **Galatians 4:6 NASB**

- He comes back to the disciples and they are all asleep.
- He prayed alone and then returned to them and each time they were asleep. (v37-42)
- **V41**..."It is enough!"...This word can have the meaning...enough – the bill has been paid. What had been 'settled' in prayer would now be carried out in life.

Betrayal and Arrest

⁴³ Immediately while He was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, came up accompanied by a crowd with swords and clubs, who were from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. ⁴⁴ Now he who was betraying Him had given them a signal, saying, "Whomever I kiss, He is the one; seize Him and lead Him away under guard." ⁴⁵ After coming, Judas immediately went to Him, saying, "Rabbi!" and kissed Him. ⁴⁶ They laid hands on Him and seized Him. ⁴⁷ But one of those who stood by drew his sword, and struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his ear. ⁴⁸ And Jesus said to them, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest Me, as you would against a robber? ⁴⁹ Every day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not seize Me; but this has

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taken place to fulfill the Scriptures." ⁵⁰ And they all left Him and fled. ⁵¹ A young man was following Him, wearing nothing but a linen sheet over his naked body; and they seized him. ⁵² But he pulled free of the linen sheet and escaped naked.

Jesus before His Accusers

⁵³ They led Jesus away to the high priest; and all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes gathered together. ⁵⁴ Peter had followed Him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the officers and warming himself at the fire. ⁵⁵ Now the chief priests and the whole Council kept trying to obtain testimony against Jesus to put Him to death, and they were not finding any. ⁵⁶ For many were giving false testimony against Him, but their testimony was not consistent. ⁵⁷ Some stood up and began to give false testimony against Him, saying, ⁵⁸ "We heard Him say, 'I will destroy this temple made with hands, and in three days I will build another made without hands.'" ⁵⁹ Not even in this respect was their testimony consistent. ⁶⁰ The high priest stood up and came forward and questioned Jesus, saying, "Do You not answer? What is it that these men are testifying against You?" ⁶¹ But He kept silent and did not answer. Again the high priest was questioning Him, and saying to Him, "Are You the Christ, the Son of the Blessed One?" ⁶² And Jesus said, "I am; and you shall see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven." ⁶³ Tearing his clothes, the high priest said, "What further need do we have of witnesses? ⁶⁴ You have heard the blasphemy; how does it seem to you?" And they all condemned Him to be deserving of death. ⁶⁵ Some began to spit at Him, and to blindfold Him, and to beat Him with their fists, and to say to Him, "Prophecy!" And the officers received Him with slaps in the face. **Mark 14:43-65 NASB**

- While Jesus was still speaking, Judas shows up with soldiers and the kiss of betrayal. (v43-46)
- Peter creates a new physical phenomenon – MTS Malchus Trauma Syndrome (This happens when one is damaged by the sharp tongue of an apostle or prophet!) (v47-50)
- Mark as a young boy (v51-52)
- Jesus deals with His accusers. (v53-65)
 - They take Him to a gathering of the Chief Priest, scribes, and elders. Peter followed at a distance. (v53-54)
 - These leaders tried to squeeze testimony out of Jesus that would condemn Him but He did not give them anything to use against Him. (v55-59)
 - The High Priest asks Him if He is 'Christ the Son'
 - Jesus tells him, "Yes...I AM!" (v60-65)
 - The High Priest is livid. He accuses Jesus of blasphemy and condemns Him to death.
 - Jesus now is struck spit up on and beaten.
- The story of Peter's denials.
 - A slave girl sees Peter and claims that he had been seen with Jesus, and Peter denies it.
 - She sees him again and accuses him of being with Jesus again, but he again denies even knowing who Jesus is. (v67-71)
 - Then some of the others in the crowd say that he is among those who had been with Jesus. Peter swears and curses loudly and completely denies having anything to do with Jesus.
 - The rooster crows, and Peter weeps. (v72)

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Jesus before Pilate

15 Early in the morning the chief priests with the elders, scribes, and the entire Council immediately held a consultation; and they bound Jesus and led Him away, and turned Him over to Pilate. **2** Pilate questioned Him: "So You are the King of the Jews?" And He answered him, "It is as you say." **3** And the chief priests started accusing Him of many things. **4** But Pilate questioned Him again, saying, "Do You offer nothing in answer? See how many charges they are bringing against You!" **5** But Jesus said nothing further in answer, so Pilate was amazed.

6 Now at the Passover Feast he used to release for them any one prisoner whom they requested. **7** And the one named Barabbas had been imprisoned with the rebels who had committed murder in the revolt. **8** And the crowd went up and began asking Pilate to do as he had been accustomed to do for them. **9** Pilate answered them, saying, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" **10** For he was aware that the chief priests had handed Him over because of envy. **11** But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to ask him to release Barabbas for them instead. **12** And responding again, Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Him whom you call the King of the Jews?" **13** They shouted back, "Crucify Him!" **14** But Pilate said to them, "Why, what evil has He done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify Him!" **15** Intent on satisfying the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas for them, and after having Jesus flogged, he handed Him over to be crucified. **Mark 15:1-15 NASB**

• Jesus and Pilate

- Inaccurate accusations are heaped upon Jesus.
- Pilate asks Him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus responds, "I AM, it is as you say."
- His answer angers the chief priests even more bitterly.
- Pilate continued questioning Jesus and informing Him of all the charges being brought against Him.
- Jesus remained quiet which caused Pilate to be amazed and to wonder at the envious ways of the chief priest.
- It was the custom of Pilate at this time of year to release one prisoner.
- He is pummeled by the crowds with the name of Barabbas as the one they want released.
- In light of their choice of Barabbas as the one to set free, Pilate asks, "What do you want me to do with the King of the Jews?"
- "CRUCIFY HIM", was the answer!!
- He has Jesus scourged and turned over to the soldiers to be crucified.
- Jesus is handed over to the soldiers.
- They were spitting on Him, mocking Him, putting 'royal' clothes on Him with a crown of thorns for His head. They teased Him as the King of the Jews.
- They beat Him and cruelly mocked and insulted Him.
- They replaced His purple clothing and fake royal attire, put His own clothes on Him and led Him out to be crucified.
- They grabbed Simon of Cyrene to carry the cross, Jesus had been badly weakened by His cruel beating. (Cyrene was a large city in Libya in North Africa)
- They came to Golgotha for the crucifixion which means 'place of the skull' or 'skull-ground'.
- They tried to offer Him wine mixed with Myrrh but Jesus refused it.

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- They crucified Him and the cast lots for his clothing.
- The inscription of the charge brought against Him read 'The King of the Jews'.
- There were two thieves crucified with Him and they along with the jeering chief priests mocked Him and ridiculed Him as the Savior that could not save Himself.
- The crucifixion continued until the darkness fell over the whole land when Jesus cried out, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"
- Some thought Jesus was calling out for Elijah so they tried to give Him sour wine to keep Him alive, to see if Elijah would show up.

A Cry of Anguish and a Song of Praise.

¹ My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? Why are You so far from helping me, and from the words of my groaning? **Psalm 22:1 AMPC**

- Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed His last (v37) the veil in the temple is torn top to bottom.
- The centurion who was standing right in front of Him saw how Jesus died and uttered, "This man was the Son of God."

⁵⁴ Now as for the centurion and those who were with him keeping guard over Jesus, when they saw the earthquake and the *other* things that were happening, they became extremely frightened and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!" **Matthew 27:54 NASB**

⁴⁴ It was now about the sixth hour, and darkness came over the entire land until the ninth hour, ⁴⁵ because the sun stopped shining; and the veil of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶ And Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into Your hands I entrust My spirit." And having said this, He died. ⁴⁷ Now when the centurion saw what had happened, he *began* praising God, saying, "This Man was in fact innocent." **Luke 23:44-47 NASB**

³⁰ Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit. **John 19:30 NASB**

- There were several women who had followed Jesus to Jerusalem and witnessed His crucifixion.

