

Matthew 26:28-31 – Jesus praying in Gethsemane – very emotional time

- Gethsemane means “olive press”

John 10:17-18 – Jesus died by giving up His life – no one took it from Him

1. Power in His Suffering (suffering of Jesus)
  - a. John 18:2-3, 7, 9 – Jesus was betrayed by Judas Iscariot
    - i. Prophecy fulfilled in betrayal by His friend (Matthew 26:47, 49-50, 53-54) – see Psalm 41:9
  - b. John 18:10-11 – Jesus healed servant's ear in arresting party
    - i. Parallel verses in Matthew 26:51-52
2. Power in His Position (Son of God / God the Son)
  - a. 1 John 4:16 – God is love
  - b. Despised for His position
    - i. Meekness is power under control
    - ii. Jesus tortured for being meek
    - iii. Jesus was hated for His perfection
3. Power in His Person
  - a. Pilate (Roman ruler) & High Priest were given power over Jesus from God
  - b. John 10:17-18 Jesus had the power to lay down His life & to pick His life up again
  - c. John 18:36 – Pilate says the obvious, “Your own nation & chief priests have delivered You to me.
  - d. John 19:10-11 – Pilate thinks that He has power to crucify or release Jesus – Jesus corrects Pilate, “You have no power against Me except it was give you from above
  - e. John 19:13 – Jesus gave up His spirit after crying, “It is finished.”
4. Power in Prophecy
  - a. John 18:32 – Jesus words given earlier in His ministry signifying what death He would die (John 3:14, John 8:38, John 12:32-33
  - b. John 19:23-24 – Scripture fulfilled when the solders cast lots for Jesus clothing (Psalm 22:18)
  - c. John 19:31-33, 36 – Soldiers did not break Jesus' legs (Psalm 34:20)
  - d. John 19:34, 37 – Soldiers pierced Jesus' side & blood & water came out (Psalm 22:16, Zechariah 12:10)
  - e. See Isaiah 53:1-9

- i. He is despised & rejected of men, a man of sorrows & acquainted with grief (verse 3) – see John 19:15
  - ii. But He was wounded for our transgression; He was bruised for our iniquities (verse 5) – see John 18:22, John 19:1, 3, 18
  - iii. He was taken from prison & from judgement (verse 8) – see John 18:24, 28
  - iv. He made His grave with the wicked & with the rich in His death (verse 9) – see John 19:18, 19:41-42
- 5. Power in Jesus Sacrifice (Jesus taken to the cross)
  - a. In love Jesus carried His own cross (verse 17)
    - i. The cross was meant for Barrabus a murderer – Mark 15:7
    - ii. The cross was meant for you & me – see Luke 23:34, 2 Cor. 5:21, 1 Peter 5:7
  - b. In love Jesus hung between 2 thieves – see Luke 23:40
  - c. In love Jesus cared for His mother Mary (verses 26-27)
  - d. In love Jesus forgave His executioners - see Luke 23:34
- 6. Power in Jesus Salvation
  - a. Romans 6:23 – Death is penalty for sin
  - b. Work Jesus needed to fulfill according the Scriptures
    - i. Psalm 22:1-21
      - 1. “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” (verse 1) – see Matthew 27:46, Mark 15:34
      - 2. All who see Jesus ridicule Him saying that He trusted in God, let God rescue Him (verses 7-8) – see Matthew 27:39-44, Luke 23:35-37
      - 3. Jesus felt like His bones were out of joint & He was very thirsty (verses 14-15) – see Matthew 27:48, John 19:28
  - c. Work Jesus fulfilled was a pardon for us all
    - i. 1 Peter 3:18 – Christ, the Just One, suffered once for sins of ours (the unjust ones) to bring us to God
    - ii. Paid in full – see Romans 3:21-22