

MATTHEW:
THE GOSPEL
OF THE KINGDOM

Man of Sorrow
Matthew 26:36-46

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Introduction:

- Context
- We are entering *holy, mysterious, and fearful* ground

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Going to the Garden - v.36

Then Jesus went with them
to a place called *Gethsemane*,
and he said to his *disciples*,
“Sit here, while I go over there and pray.”

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A Deadly Sorrow - v.37-38

And taking *with him*

Peter and the two sons of Zebedee,
he began to be *sorrowful* and *troubled*.

Then he said to them,

“My soul is very sorrowful,
even to death; (Psalm 88)

remain here, and *watch* with me.”

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A Perplexing Plea - v.39

And going a little farther

he fell on his face and prayed,

saying, “My Father,

if it be possible, let *this cup* pass from me;

nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will.”

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Weak Watchers - v.40-41

And he came to the disciples

and found them *sleeping*.

And he said *to Peter*,

“So, could you not watch with me one hour?

Watch and pray

that you may not enter into temptation.

The *spirit* indeed is willing,

but the *flesh* is weak.”

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A Servant's Submission - v.42-43

Again, for the second time,
 he went away and prayed,
 "My Father,
 if this cannot pass unless I drink it,
 your will be done."
 And again he came and found them sleeping,
 for their eyes were heavy.

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A Final Affirmation - v.44

So, leaving them again,
 he went away and prayed for the third time,
 saying the same words again.

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A Call to Action - v.45-46

Then he came to the disciples and said to them,
 "*Sleep* and take your rest later on.
See, the hour is at hand,
 and the Son of Man is betrayed
 into the hands of sinners.
Rise, let us be going;
 see, my betrayer is at hand."

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Conclusions/Applications

- Behold the sorrowful Savior!
- To non-followers of Jesus
- To followers of Jesus
- Regarding prayer:
 - The example of Jesus
 - The example of the disciples
- Hebrews 5:7-10
