

SERMON NOTE: The 3 Greatest Disappointments

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Bible Ref: Matthew 26:36-46, 69-75 NIV

Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me." Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will." Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Couldn't you men keep watch with me for one hour?" he asked Peter. "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." He went away a second time and prayed, "My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done." When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing. Then he returned to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour has come, and the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners. Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!" Now Peter was sitting out in the courtyard, and a servant girl came to him. "You also were with Jesus of Galilee," she said. But he denied it before them all. "I don't know what you're talking about," he said. Then

he went out to the gateway, where another servant girl saw him and said to the people there, "This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth." He denied it again, with an oath: "I don't know the man!" After a little while, those standing there went up to Peter and said, "Surely you are one of them; your accent gives you away." Then he began to call down curses, and he swore to them, "I don't know the man!" Immediately a rooster crowed. Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken: "Before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times." And he went outside and wept bitterly.

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Now is the period of Lant
It's 40 days before Pass Over

Most of us knew that JESUS Suffered during HIS Crucifixion, but do you know that JESUS also suffered with HIS Disciples?

1. Disappointment of when HE asked HIS closest Disciples to keep watch while HE prayed, but the disciples feel asleep.
2. Betrayal of Judas
3. Peter betrayed HIM 3 times

1st Betrayal by Closest Disciples

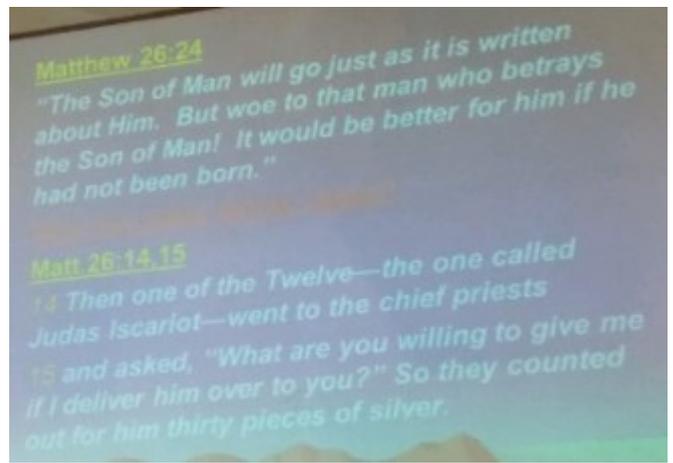
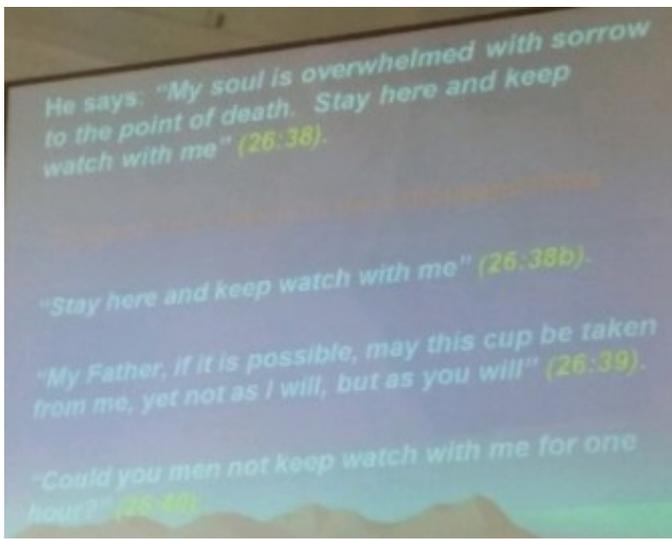
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Matthew 26:38 NIV

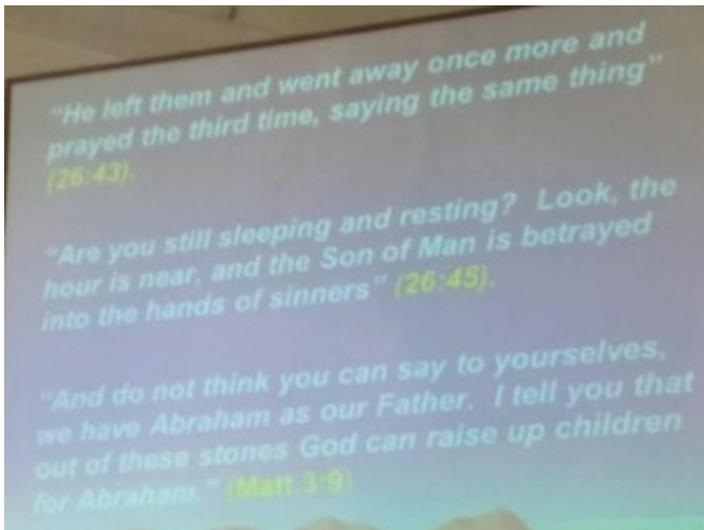
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To die on the cross is like to die a thousand times.

As HE knew HE is going to die a on the cross, HE asked HIS Disciples to keep watch for HIM, but the disciples failed HIM so badly.



Will we also betray JESUS for Gold or Silver, when we put our focus on those idols rather than seek first HIS Kingdom? Are we not betraying JESUS?

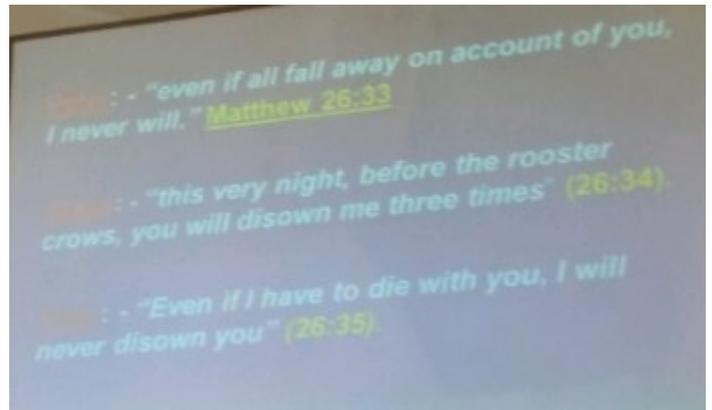


Can we keep watch for JESUS and not disappointing HIM? Are we also keep failing, falling asleep, ignorant???

2nd Betrayal by Judas



3rd Disappointment- Betrayed by Peter



Philippians 1:29 NIV

For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him,

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Mark 8:38 NIV

If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels."

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Conclusion

Do we want to carry on disappointing CHRIST

JESUS? Or do what GOD expect of us?

