

Mt. Lebanon Church

Sermon

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Please look up and read all verses in their entirety. I have only written partial verses.

Make your own notes, write down other scriptures that you run across while studying, write down questions that you may have or comments as well. Allow the Holy Spirit to reveal to you what he would have you to see through the study of Gods word.

Prayer

Luke 22:39,40....pray that you may not enter into temptation....

What would be your greatest prayer.

What would be the content of that prayer.

Christ on the evening before going to the garden to pray spent time with his disciples.

Teaching them, Instituting the beginning of what we now celebrate as the last supper, After supper Christ washed the disciples feet, Judas left the presence of the Lord this same evening.

On a night when all focus should have been on Christ, because of what he was about to go through - Christ made it all about the people around him, not himself.

What brought Christ to this place –

A Physical place

A Spiritual place or frame of mind

V.39 – Says: He went to the mount of olives as he was accustomed.

Luke 6:12,went out to the mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God....

Luke 21:37,but in the night, he went out and stayed the mountain, called Olivet....

Christ spent a lot of time communicating with the Father.

How much time do we spend communicating with the Father.

1 Thess. 5:17 – Pray without ceasing.

Matthew 6:6 -and when you pray....

What did Christ pray for ?

What do we pray for ?

Hebrews 5: 7-9,when he had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears....

V.40 – Christ greatest prayer.

Was not: If it possible, let this cup pass from me, not as I will, but as you will.

Which was his first prayer.

And it was not: What he prayed the second time: If this cup cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.

Christ led by example: His prayer was the same as he instructed his disciples to pray.

Pray that you may not enter into temptation

Not that you are not tempted, but that you enter not into that temptation.

The reason Hebrews said he prayed the way he did, he knew of the temptation that so easily besets us.

Through prayer he knew he could tell the Father anything that was on his mind and still overcome it. Still overcome the temptation, to follow after his own will and follow after the Fathers will, for it was the Father who gave him the strength to do so.

He went on to pray again: If this cup cannot pass unless I drink it.

He did not put the cup down, he did not hesitate to drink it – even though that would have been on his mind.

Pray that you enter not into temptation.

Hebrews 5: 7 - 9

We must follow in Christ footsteps. We must offer up prayers and supplications.

Earnestly we must cry out to the one that can save us.

When we do not enter into temptation, we are heard because of Godly fear.

We learn obedience by the things we suffer.

Through obedience we gain Salvation and we mature in that Salvation.

Luke 22:39, ...pray that ye may not enter into temptation....

How is our prayer life.

Is prayer a significant part of our life.

Do we pray daily, Regularly.

As Christians – prayer is not optional.

We need to be consistent in our prayer life.

Prayer strengthens our personal relationship with God.

We started the series on prayer by looking at Christ prayer in the garden.

Like 22:39 – What Christ told his disciples.

Christ rhythm of life came through his relationship with the father through prayer.

Ephesians 6:18, Praying always, with all prayer and supplication....

Talking about the armor of God.

Christ performed the greatest act of obedience.

Obedience that through death he would overcome death and be saved from it.

If Christ had not been obedient to death he would have been swallowed up in death forever.

No resurrection

No salvation

No grace of God the father

No eternal life.

1 Corinthians 15:54-57,death is swallowed up in victory....

Isaiah 25:8-10,he will swallow up death forever....

Hosea 13:14,I will redeem them from death....

Philippians 2:8-11,he humbled himself and became obedient.... Even to the death of the cross....

God heard Christ prayer because of Christ reverence to the father.

Christ had complete obedience to God.

There is salvation for all who believe, because all hope of that salvation succeeds because Christ was earnest in his prayer.

God made it clear there was no other way but the cross for salvation and that this way would succeed because Christ was obedient in prayer.

Like 22:39 – Pray that you may not enter into temptation.

Prayer helps us resist temptation.

John 14:6 –Jesus said unto them, I’ am the way, the truth, the life.....

The way:

Acts 4:8-12, Nor is there salvation in any other.... No other name.... by which, we must be saved....

There is no other way to heaven.

There is no other way to God.

The only path to salvation is expressed in the words – I am the way.

The Truth:

Psalms 119:142 – The law is the truth.

Matthew 5:44,45 - Love your enemies.... Pray for those who spitefully use you....

This living word – which is Christ is the source of all truth.

The Life:

John 10:17,18 - I lay down my life, that I might take it again....

John 14:19 - Because I live, you will live also....

The deliverance God that provides is not political, it is not social, but eternal. A true deliverance from the bondage of sin.

I 'am – the only path to salvation.

The only true measure of righteousness.

The only source of both physical and spiritual life.

We must hear the word and obey the word. Through prayer we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us pray.

If anyone has any questions, comments or would just like to discuss any of the scriptures, feel free to call, text or email me. Keep praying for each other and all the God lays upon your heart. Hope to see everyone soon. God Bless.

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