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Prayer Prepares Us

Jesus Prayed In Gethsemane As He Faced The Toughest Time In His Life
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(Mark 14:32-42 NIV) They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." (33) He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled. (34) "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death," he said to them. "Stay here and keep watch."
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(35) Going a little farther, he fell to the ground and prayed that if possible the hour might pass from him. (36) "Abba, Father," he said, "everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."
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(37) Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Simon," he said to Peter, "are you asleep? Could you not keep watch for one hour? (38) Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak." (39) Once more he went away and prayed the same thing.
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(40) When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him. (41) Returning the third time, he said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Enough! The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. (42) Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"
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Gethsemane means oil-press or olive vat in the Hebrew.

A Gethsemane Moment... Is That Crisis When The Weight Of The World Comes Down Upon Us
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Jesus Exhorts His Disciples: Pray!

Stay Here And Keep Watch
Are You Asleep?
Could You Not Keep Watch For One Hour?
Watch And Pray So That You Will Not Fall Into Temptation.
"Are You Still Sleeping And Resting? Enough!
The Hour Has Come. Rise!
Let Us Go! Here Comes My Betrayer!"
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“Pray That You Do Not Fall Into Temptation”

The Greatest Temptations:

• To Give Up
• To Be Fearful & Frozen
• To Not Finish The Task
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In The Flow Of Passion Week

With The Parades And Prophecy

Not An Easy Time – It Was A Tough Time

Jesus Encouraged His Disciples To Be Prepared And Equipped For Their Gethsemane Moment By Prayer
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One Hour With God Can Make All The Difference In The World

Prayer Equips You
Prayer Empowers You

For ‘The Press’ Of Gethsemane Moments In Life
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**Tough Times Call For Prayer:**

(Mark 14:32 NIV) They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray."

(Luke 5:16 NIV) But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.
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Tough Times Call For Our Close Friends

(Mark 14:33 NIV) He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled.

Jesus In This Time Of Crisis Called On His Closest Friends To Pray With Him
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Close Friends Can Unite In Prayer

(Mat 18:19 NIV) ... "Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven."
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Tough Times Must Be Defined - Specify

(Mark 14:34 NIV) "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death," he said to them. "Stay here and keep watch."

- If You Have A Need In Your Life -- Share It
- If You Have a Request of God – Pray It
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Tough Times Must Be Evaluated

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In Surrender: Jesus Won The Power To Proceed To Calvary.
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*Tough Times Call For A Decision*

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- He Made The Decision To Fulfill Completely And Totally His Fathers Will In Times Of Prayer
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Tough Times Call For A Decision

In Prayer A Man Kneels Down Before God So That He Can Stand Up Before Men

In Prayer A Man Enters Into The Heavens So That He May Face The Battles Of Earth
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**Tough Times Are Opportunities For:**

- God's Power To Be Displayed
- God's Will To Be Accomplished
- God’s Supernatural Power To Sustain Us

**RESULT:** The Crisis That Brought You To A Time Of Prayer Becomes An Opportunity For God To Fulfill His Will And Display His Power In Your Life And Situation