“YET NOT WHAT I WILL, BUT WHAT YOU WILL”

Mark 14:27–52

Key Verses: 14:35,36

1. Where are Jesus and his disciples headed? (26) Why? On the way, what does he predict about them? (27a) What Scripture would this fulfill? (27b) Why does he tell them this? What else does he predict? (28) How would this be a comfort to them in the future?
2. How does Peter respond? (29) What does Jesus tell him? (30) What does he want Peter to learn through this? What do Peter and the others say? (31) Why?
3. When they arrive at Gethsemane, what does Jesus say and do? (32,33a) What begins to happen to him? (33b) How is this not what we would expect from Jesus? What does he confide to Peter, James and John? (34) Why? Why is it important for us to know Jesus’ agony and sorrow at Gethsemane?
4. Read verses 35,36. What does the expression “Going a little farther” mean? What shows his urgency? How does he address God? What does this mean to us? (Gal4:6; Ro8:15) What does he first ask? What is surprising about this? How does he pray to overcome himself? (36b) What does this show about him? How can we imitate him?
5. When he returns to his disciples, what does he find? (37a) Why are they sleeping? How does he address Peter? (37b) What does he teach about the importance of prayer and about human weakness? (38) How is this scene repeated? (39–41) Why could the disciples not support Jesus when he really needed it?
6. How does Jesus show his spiritual readiness? (42) Who comes with Judas? (43) What is the signal? (44) What does Judas do? (45; Prov27:6) What happens when Jesus is arrested? (46,47) How does Jesus rebuke them, and what is his decision? (48,49) What happens, and why? (50–52) Who might this young man be?