

## NOTES

## Recap:

- Theme: Jesus shows perfect obedience to God's will.
  - o Judas sought his own will and selfish desires and attempted to force God to do what he wanted. He was never willing to give up his will for God's will.
  - o Peter tried to figure out and walk according to God's will and failed because of his flesh. His spirit was willing, but his flesh wasn't.
- Last week: the last super.
  - o After Jesus said one of them would betray Him. they each asked, "Is it me?"
- Communion: it's both remembrance (looking back at the inauguration of the kingdom) and looking forward to the coming completion of the kingdom.
  - o Communion is a means of grace, an important part of what we do together.
    - Here now, but also not yet.
  - o Revelation 19 – when Jesus partakes in this again.
    - Here now.

## Verses 30-35:

- Betrayal is a fleshly response to what Jesus did, and each disciple flirted in some way with that line of betrayal (verse 31). Jesus said they would all fall away.
  - o It's more than fleeing or hiding, it's scandalous.
  - o Jesus acknowledges that God is the one who strikes the shepherd (Jesus). It's God's will.
- Peter's response is bold, brash, and ultimately untrue.
  - o We say we'll die for Him, but don't want our plans to be interrupted.
    - It's about being willing to trust that He has our best intentions in mind even when it doesn't align with our expectations.
  - o He doesn't stand in the truth until he's filled with The Holy Spirit.
- There's a small difference between Peter and Judas.
  - o The difference is obedience to the will of God. In the end, Judas chose his will.

## Verses 36-46:

- In the garden we see Jesus' anguish for what He'll endure both physically in His humanity and spiritually as the sins of all of humanity for all time would be placed on Him.
  - o His prayer – if it's possible, take this cup. We see Him acknowledging both God's all-powerfulness and honoring God's will.
- Jesus' request for them to stay awake and pray for Him wasn't that extreme.
  - o There was a Passover tradition to stay up late into the night/ early morning talking about all the ways the Lord had been faithful over the last year.
  - o They said they would die for Him, but when Jesus asked them to pray for Him they fell asleep.
    - There are small moments of disobedience that lead us to our greater failures to walk according to God's will.
- It's a daily act of submission
  - o Lord I'm here, what do you want me to do? verses: Lord here is what I want to do, bless it.
  - o When we don't invite Him into the small things, we struggle trusting Him in the hard things.
  - o Small yeses lead to obedience in hard things.
  - o Judas – when he didn't get what he wanted he said my will be done. Peter's small acts of disobedience lead Him down the same path, but for the restoration power of Jesus.

- Submitting to the will of The Father:
  - Transformation happens when kingdom minded people submit to God's will in the places God has planted us.
  - It's the places where we don't submit that we experience the most chaos in our lives. The places we surrender are the places we experience the most peace.

QUESTIONS

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Where are you compartmentalizing your life, seeking to rely on your own talents and gifts, to pursue your will? Jeremy mentioned that it can be helpful to consider the areas of your life where you feel most in control (skilled, talented, able), as Peter might have felt when he told Jesus he would die for Him while potentially feeling as though he would never have to.

Take a moment to reflect on Peter's response to Jesus in the garden where he tells Jesus he will never fall away. Assuming the best in Peter, we can assume that he was earnest in this declaration. Jesus' response to Peter in the garden points to the reality that in his flesh, Peter is weak. A reality that Peter comes face to face with just a few hours later when He denied Jesus three times. But later we see that Peter, being empowered by the Holy Spirit after Pentecost, suffered and died for Jesus.

Reflecting on your walk, where has your spirit been willing but your flesh weak? What does faithfulness look like on the other side of that realization?

Jeremy mentioned that in Revelation 19 under The Marriage Supper of The Lamb we see Jesus partaking in a communal meal with His disciples again. In this section of scripture, we see that the bride made herself ready by putting on the fine linen (righteous acts) that were given to her to wear. Looking at The Last Supper, we see most clearly in Mark 14 and Luke 22 that Jesus, so desiring to eat His last Passover meal with His disciples, arranged for a place for them to do so. We also see in John 13 that during the Passover meal Jesus cleansed the feet of the disciples, telling them it was necessary for them to have a share with Him.

Jesus both prepares the table for us and offers us all we need to be able to join Him at the feast. When you consider your own walk, would you say that you live, however imperfectly, under that reality? What does growth look like for you in this area?