## JESUS' PRAYER IN GETHSEMANE

## I. HIS PRAYER WAS SOLITARY

### A. Mark 14:32-35

He entered Gethsemane with His disciples, but asked most to sit in one place while taking Peter, James, and John with Him a little further. Then, He told those three to stay as He went even further and began to pray.

### **B.** Luke 22:41

That "little further" was a withdrawal of "about a stone's throw."

## C. Luke 5:16

This was not unusual for Jesus.

### D. Matthew 6:5-6

Jesus was practicing what He taught.

#### II. HIS PRAYER WAS HUMBLE

# A. Luke 22:41

He "knelt" to pray

## B. Ephesians 3:14; Acts 20:36; 21:5

Kneeling in prayer is an appropriate demonstration of reverence before God.

#### III. HIS PRAYER WAS FAMILIAL

## A. Mark 14:36

Jesus addressed the Father in two languages, emphasizing that role of paternity.

## B. Romans 8:14-15; Galatians 4:6-7

Because of our adoption, we can call Him, "Abba, Father," too.

## IV. HIS PRAYER WAS SINCERE

A. Mark 14:33-34

He was "troubled," "deeply distressed," and "exceedingly sorrowful."

# **B.** Luke 22:44

He was *"in agony"* and *"He prayed more earnestly."* He was so intent that blood oozed from His pores in sweat.

# C. Hebrews 5:7

Jesus prayed with "vehement cries and tears."

## V. HIS PRAYER WAS PERSISTENT

# A. Mark 14:39; Matthew 26:44

Jesus prayed the same thing three times.

# **B.** Luke 18:1-8

He taught the need for prayerful persistence.

# VI. HIS PRAYER WAS YIELDING

# A. Matthew 26:39, 42

Jesus did not insist on what He wanted, but left the decision to the Father.

## B. Matthew 6:10

He taught us to pray the same way.

## VII. HIS PRAYER WAS ANSWERED

## A. Hebrews 5:7

He "was heard because of His godly fear."

## **B.** Luke 22:43

God sent an angel to strengthen Jesus.

## C. John 18:11

He was ready to drink the cup He had been asking to be spared from.