

BETHEL SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Matthew 26:36-46 – 03/24/24

STOP AND PRAY

Holy Spirit, open my heart and my mind to Your truth today! Then help me to be a Doer of the Word and not a Hearer only!

- 1) Why is it so difficult for us to rely on others? Why is it sometimes difficult to be vulnerable with others and even with God?

Read Matthew 26:36-38

- 2) Where does Jesus go in this passage? What does he do? What is significant about Jesus spending his last night on earth in this way?

- 3) Why is it important for us to spend quiet times alone in prayer with God?

- 4) How does a practice of consistent prayer demonstrate our reliance on God?

Read Matthew 26:39-41

- 5) What does Jesus pray here? How does his prayer show his trust for God in the midst of trial?

- 6) What is the cup that Jesus is talking about? Read Isaiah 53:3-6. Why did Jesus desire that this cup pass from him?
- 7) Read 2 Corinthians 5:21. Why was Jesus the only one who could drink this cup? What does Jesus bring in doing this?
- 8) Read 1 John 4:10. Why was he still willing to submit to the will of God?

Read Matthew 36:42-46

- 9) As we walk with Jesus day by day, how can we practice our reliance on Him, as well as a submission to His will?
- 10) What are some areas you need to bring to God for His help? What are some areas you may need to submit to his will?

Take time to pray for each other.

Use this prayer as the theme of your prayer time: "*Father in Heaven, thank you for being a trustworthy King. Thank you that you are reliable in times of need. As we walk through this week, help us to follow your example by being honest about our reliance on you, and humbly submitting our will to yours.*"