

Trinity Church, Sarnia  
Lenten Bible Study – 2022

Following Jesus to the Cross

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Week #4. Luke 19:28-40, 41-44, 45-48

Questions<sup>1</sup>:

Open:

1. What are you like in a time of crisis? Energized – ready for action. Cool as a cucumber? Stressed and struggling to avoid panic. On your knees praying?
2. Where do you go to get some alone time?

Dig:

3. Reread Lk22:41-44. What strikes you most pointedly about Jesus prayer in the garden?
4. Think about v.43 – The angel “appeared to him and strengthened him...”. Use your imagination and share with each other – what do you think the angel might have said? How would this strengthen Jesus.
5. Why is the crowd so large and armed (v.52). What do they fear? Why are their fears undounded?
6. What is the irony in Judas betrayal?
7. What does Jesus mean by v.53 “this is your hour...”. Compare and contrast with his own (ie. v.42)

Reflect

1. The Church insists that Jesus is truly God and truly Man. In what ways does this story underline Jesus human nature? His divine nature?

2. Compare Jesus attitudes and actions with his disciples. With those who come to arrest him? What impresses you most about Jesus?

Group Norms to enhance our experience

- **Try to make attendance a priority..**
- **Try to stay “on topic.”** Stick to the passage being studied. Seek to find the answers in the text.
- **Everyone participates and no one dominates.** We are sometimes so eager to share what we have learned that we don’t leave room for others. By all means participate – but leave space for others.
- **Be sensitive to the other members of the Group.** We respect each other and can all learn from each other. There are no ‘dumb’ questions.
- **Support for one another is part of our life** as followers of Jesus.
- **Confidentiality matters:** When someone shares something of private nature, that stays in the group. We tell our own stores, if we want – not other people’s.

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