

Sunday, March 7, 2021 Dr. Landon Dowden

SERMON-BASED CURRICULUM

LOVING ACCOUNTABILITY

As we partnered with God this past week to	, what did He do? How did He work in and through
us?	

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR MARK 14:26-52

- 1. In what way(s) did God speak to you today through His Spirit and His Word?
- 2. Why are the phrases "for it is written" (14:27) and "let the Scriptures be fulfilled" (14:49) so important for understanding all that's happening in Mark 14? In what way can phrases like these be used to fuel faith in our hearts and minds?
- 3. After Jesus tells the disciples that they will all fall away, why do you think Peter and the rest of them refused to believe what Jesus said? Why were they so confident they would not do what Jesus said they would?
- 4. What does self-confidence and self-reliance look like in a believer's life today? How can we minimize this in our lives?
- 5. When was a time you were confident you would not fail or betray Jesus but ended up doing so? What did you learn from that experience?
- 6. When you see Jesus in the garden and He is "greatly distressed and troubled" and that His soul was "very sorrowful, even to death" what does this tell you about the difficulty involved in being our substitute?
- 7. Why is it important that Christ was not overcome by death, but that He overcame it? What is the difference?
- 8. What does both the action of Jesus' prayers and the content of them help us learn about seeking the Father's will and submitting to it?
- 9. Why do you think Jesus wanted the cup to pass from Him if it could? What cup was He talking about?
- 10. Why do you think Peter, James, and John were unable to "keep watch" with Jesus? When is a time you found it difficult to pray or you lacked urgency to express your dependence on the Father?
- 11. Why is it significant that Jesus walked toward Judas and the group who came to arrest Him?
- 12. When is a time you felt particularly strengthened by God for the obedience to which He was calling you?
- 13. When Jesus was arrested, all of His disciples fled, with one even leaving behind his linen cloth. What do you think happened to the bravado they had when they claimed they would die with Him if needed?
- 14. What do you think it was like for Jesus to see His followers run away into the night in order to save their own lives, while He was on His way to lay down His life?
- 15. What hope is offered to failed disciples in Mark 14:28?