

Story Time - Read the story to the children
Lesson 233: THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE
LUKE 22:39-53

Jesus left the city and went to the Mount of Olives. His followers went with him. (He went there often.) He said to his followers, "Pray that you may not enter temptation." Then Jesus went about 50 steps away from them. He knelt down and prayed, "Father, if it is your will, please don't make me drink from this cup. But not my will, but yours be done." Then an angel from heaven came to help strengthen him. Jesus was full of pain; he struggled hard in prayer. Sweat dripped from his face like drops of blood falling to the ground. When he finished praying, he went to his disciples. He found them asleep, worn out from their grieving. Jesus said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray for strength against temptation." While Jesus was speaking, a crowd came up. It was led by Judas, one of the twelve apostles. He came over to Jesus to kiss him. But Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you betraying (meaning are you delivering me to my enemies) the Son of Man with a kiss?" The followers of Jesus were standing there too. They saw what was happening and said to Jesus, "Lord, should we use our swords?" And one of them did use his sword. He cut off the right ear of the servant of the high priest. Jesus said, "Let it go - stop!" Then he touched the servant's ear and healed him. Jesus spoke to the group that came to arrest him. They were the leading priests, the older Jewish leaders, and the Jewish soldiers. He said to them, "Have you come out to catch a robber with swords and clubs? I was with you every day in the Temple area. Why didn't you try to arrest me there? But this is your time--the time when darkness rules."

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MEMORY VERSE:

"Pray that you may not enter temptation." LUKE 22:40

Review Questions

True or False

1. Jesus went up to the Mount of Olives, but His disciples did not follow Him.
2. When He got there, He told them, "Pray that you may not enter temptation."
3. He went about 50 feet away, and He knelt down and went to sleep.
4. He prayed, "Father, if it is your will, please don't make me drink from this cup. But not my will, but yours be done."
5. Then a cloud appeared to Him from heaven came to help strengthen Him.

Questions

1. When Jesus went about 50 feet away from His disciples to pray, what did He tell them first?
2. Who came down from heaven to help strengthen Jesus when He was praying?
3. When He was sweating so much, what did His sweat seem like?
4. When He finished praying and went back to His disciples, what were they doing?
5. What did Judas do when He came with the Jewish leaders, leading priests and Jewish soldiers?
6. What did one of the disciples do to the high priest's servant? What did Jesus do after he cut off the servant of the high priest's right ear?

Lesson 233 Activity

Act it out!

Characters:

Jesus

Judas

Disciple with a sword

Servant of the High Priest

Divide the rest between the Jewish Leaders, Soldiers and other disciples

Jesus – Tell the disciples, “Pray so that you may not enter into temptation.”

Jesus goes and kneels down to pray, “Father if it is your will, please don’t make me drink from this cup. But not my will, but yours be done.”

Jesus comes back, the disciples are all sleeping.

Judas comes with the Priests & soldiers and gives Jesus a kiss on the cheek.

Jesus – “Are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?”

Disciples – “Do we need to get our swords?”

Jesus – “No.”

One disciple cuts off the servant of the high priest’s right ear. (have the servant hold his ear)

Jesus – goes and puts his hand on the ear and heals him.

Jesus says “Why didn’t you arrest me when I was with you every day in the temple? It is your time now – the time for darkness to rule.”

The soldiers take Jesus away.

PRAYER

Lead the children in a prayer of commitment to ask God for strength when we are under pressure, to obey His commands, and to repay evil with good. If any children have not yet responded to the gospel, give them an opportunity to do so.