



REDEEMED

Easter with Central

THEME

Jesus' perfect submission to the Father means that he took the cup of iniquity & ridicule so that we could take the cup of blessing.

GO DEEPER

Learn more about how Jesus is the fulfillment of different roles and prophecies from the Old Testament
Zechariah 9:9, 11:12, 13:7, 3:8, 6:2; Psalm 22

As you read the gospels, how do you see Jesus fulfilling these roles?

MARK 14:32-36

32Do And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray."

33And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled.

34And he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch."

35And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him.

36And he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."

DIGGING IN

- Consider the way that Jesus made his entrance into Jerusalem in Mark 11. **How did the crowd welcome him?**
- **What did the crowd think that Jesus came to do?**
- **What did Jesus actually come to do?**
- **How do you think we can sometimes make the mistake of knowing how God works?**
- Someone read the passage from Isaiah that was mentioned in the sermon (Is 53:10). **Why is it that it pleased God to crush his Son?**
- **What do you think of when faced with the process of the oil press mentioned in the sermon?**
- **Why do you think it is so difficult to lay down our own will to do the Father's?**
- **When it comes to sacrifice, discuss the differences between "likeness of Jesus" and "sameness of Jesus."**
- **How would you define the word (redeemed)?**
- **When you fail or fall short, where do you tend to turn to first? Do you try to fix it or do you turn to Jesus to forgive it?**
- Someone read Hebrews 2:10-11. **What does it say that suffering did for Jesus?**

5 MARKS FOCUS: DAILY DEVOTION

Take the time this week and spend it reading through one of the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John). Prepare your heart for the upcoming Easter services. Take the time to prepare for the church-wide fast that will take place from sundown on Thursday until we break the fast at communion during our Good Friday service.

USE THE 2 OF THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS IN YOUR WALK THIS WEEK:

Reflect: What are the areas of your life in which you still struggle to surrender to the Lord? Make a note of them in a journal. Spend time in prayer asking God to take away your burdens.

Talk: Find a trusted person in your life. Discuss any sinful habits or hang-ups you're dealing with in this season of your life. Pray together. Talk about how you can walk in freedom from the penalty of sin.

Serve: Get involved with serving at church or in your community. We have the opportunity to show a radical display of hospitality as we live out the truth of the gospel message. You never know how your service can minister to someone that is broken.

Worship: Take the time to pick out a worship song or a psalm that expresses gratitude for what the Lord has done through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Sing to the Lord and be reminded of his goodness, his faithfulness, and his holiness.

LAST WORD

Could God really have saved us some other way? Did Jesus really have to die a horrible death at the hands of his enemies?

The truth is that Jesus shared humanity with us, and by that we are called his brothers and sisters. We are children of God. This is an amazing reality. And as one who shared in our humanity, Jesus shared in our suffering. *All of it. The best of it and the worst of it.* But when we consider what Jesus willingly subjected himself to for us, for **you**, it should bring us to our knees in worship. We should humbly give all of our lives to him as thanks for his great gift on the cross.