

# MATTHEW 26 vs 30

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<sup>30</sup> And when they had sung a hymn,

they went out to the Mount of Olives / and notice, Jesus is absolutely in charge. He is not a victim; He is the Lord of glory. Everything has been rehearsed; and the disciples are simply doing their regular routine; what Jesus taught them to do; what they always do whenever they are in Jerusalem -- at least 3 times a year. This is a joyous day. They still really do not grasp what is happening, but they will. Jesus is a good Teacher.

<sup>31</sup> Then Jesus said to them,

All you will be **offended** because of Me this night / in Greek: **skandalizo**; to stumble, to trip, to fall. Matthew uses the word 14 times. Whatever causes someone to trip up and fall down; where we get the words scandal and scandalize:

for it is written I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered -- Zechariah 13:7.

<sup>32</sup> But after I am risen again, **I will go before you to Galilee.**

<sup>33</sup> Peter answered and said to Him, Though all men will stumble / though all trip up... because of You, yet I will never stumble.

<sup>34</sup> Jesus said to him / Peter, you need to watch my lips... because I'm speaking to you; so are you listening?

Truly / Amen! I say to you, That this night, before the cock crows you will deny me 3 times / before you hear the next cockadoddle-do!

<sup>35</sup> Peter said to, Him even if I should die with You, yet I will not deny you / endlessly wanting to argue with the Lord, but in the N.T. this word **deny**...is definitely associated with Peter.

likewise all the disciples said the same / hearing Peter's bravado, suddenly... all the disciples start yapping in chorus! We'll all die together! So apparently, nobody was listening.

<sup>36</sup> Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane / so they have moved down the Mount of Olives from where Jesus often stayed... probably to give additional time... as He knew Judas and his mob would be searching for them; Jesus stayed in charge of the unfolding events,

and said to the disciples / who were doing the math; putting the pieces together,

Sit here, while I go a little further and pray.



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**37 And He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee / James and John, and began to be grieved and very distressed /** Jesus was intensely sorrowful and pained in His heart.

**38 Then He said to them, My soul is extremely grieved, even to death:**

**wait here and watch with Me /** while Jesus went a little further; Jesus asked the 3 to keep vigilant.

**39 And He went a little farther, and fell on His face, and prayed, saying,**

**O my Father, if it be possible, let this **cup** pass from Me /** notice He is not drinking a beverage; in Greek: **poterion**; 33 times in the N.T. this word for **cup**...is used; starting with those who give a cup of cold water in Jesus' name. Earlier Jesus asked the sons of Zebedee, who thought they were pretty important, if they could drink the cup He was going to drink -- who now were called to watch and stay alert. Notice there is NO chalice; obviously, the cup the Father gave Jesus was a little different than... that little fruit of the vine cup they drank in the upper room -- and no, they didn't drink his blood in the upper room; and nobody was going to drink His blood now.



**O my Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me, however, **not** as I will, but as You will.**

**40 And He went to the disciples and found them asleep /** to Peter, James and John who were supposed to be doing their math; but instead were snoring; what? Was their math too difficult?

**and said to Peter, What, could you not watch with Me one hour /** He asked that very confident guy could you not be vigilant, one hour?

**41 Watch /** with your eyes open... **and pray, that you do **not** enter into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.**

**42 He went away again a second time, and prayed, saying,**



**O my Father, if this cannot pass away from Me, except I drink it /** So, what Jesus is drinking now, is not that little fruit of the vine cup; nor is He drinking his blood. They all knew the Psalms: [I was brought low, and He saved me, return to your rest, O my soul. I will take the cup of salvation, in Hebrew: the cup of Yeshua -- literally, the cup of Jesus! and call upon the Name of the Lord -- Psalm 116.](#)

**Your will be done.**

**43 And He came and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy.**

**44 And He left them and went away again /** Jesus is a fast learner...this was for Him alone to do...

**and prayed the third time, saying the same words /** about the cup He was soon to drink.

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<sup>45</sup> Then He went to His disciples, and said to them,

**Sleep on now, and take your rest** / and do these words show a frustration Jesus had with those who couldn't get on the page with him? Did Jesus say have your little nap?

And after some time passed, Jesus, watchful, that not one of His would be lost, He sees the mob approach.

**Behold** / suddenly Jesus, the Commander-in-chief ... barked the order:

**Pay Attention!**

**the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners** / Christ Jesus' time had come; His reason for coming... had come; the Son of all mankind...was betrayed.

<sup>46</sup> **Get up! let us be going: Pay attention, he is near who betrays Me.**

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