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"Jesus is believed to have died at the age of 33 after a life of approximately 12,000 days. The Gospel writers devoted most of their work to just 1,100 or so of those days, the last 3 years of his life; and their primary interest was in one particular day - the day he was crucified. They believed this 24-hour period changed the world, and each of the Gospels drives toward it.

Beginning Thursday evening after sunset and lasting on through Friday, Jesus would eat the Last Supper with his disciples; pray in the garden of Gethsemane; be betrayed and deserted by his friends; be convicted of blasphemy by the religious authorities; be tried and sentenced for insurrection by Pontius Pilate; be tortured by Roman soldiers; and undergo crucifixion, death, and burial...The suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ represent the pinnacle of the gospel and the completion of God's saving work through Jesus Christ." ~Rev. Adam Hamilton

o Monday 3.21.11		Mark 14.32-42
o Tuesday 3.22.11		Mark 14.34
o Wednesday 3.23.11		1 Corinthians 10.12-13
o Thursday 3.24.11		Matthew 26.43-45
o Friday 3.25.11		Luke 22.39-46
o Saturday 3.26.11		Mark 14.35-36

As you read each day's passage, think about/discuss/journal:

- .What does this passage teach me about God? What does it say about myself?
- .How can I live differently, how does my view of the world need to change, according to what I've learned from this passage?
- .One specific next step I'm going to take this week is:

Discussion Questions

.When have you been unable to “stay awake,” pay attention, or follow through when you felt Jesus most needed you?

.What significance do you see in the fact that two of the Bible’s most profound temptation stories take place in a garden?

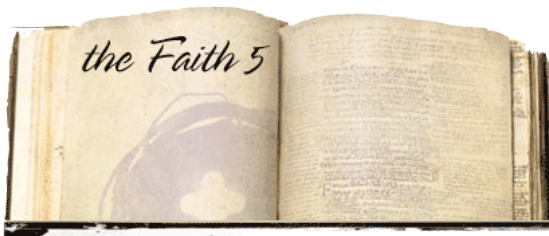
>>READ>> Luke 4:1-13

.What connections do you see between Jesus’ three temptations in the wilderness and his three prayers at Gethsemane?

.How does the Gospels’ portrayal of Jesus’ anguish in the garden of Gethsemane inform or affect your understanding of who Jesus is?

.When have you been comforted by the relief that God suffers and grieves with you even as God grieved over Jesus as he suffered on the cross?

.Recall a time when you experienced anxiety over responding to God’s call to do something you did not want to do. How did you finally come to the point of saying, “Not what I want, but what you want”?



Share your highs & lows of the day

Read the Scripture in the Bible

Talk about how the verse relates to your highs & lows

Pray about your highs & lows, family, world

Bless one another

Making disciples every night in every home!

Sunday _____ Mark 14.32

Thursday _____ 1 Peter 4.19

Monday _____ Mark 14.35

Friday _____ Psalm 145.18

Tuesday _____ Mark 14.38

Saturday _____ Psalm 86.7

Wednesday _____ Mark 14.36

Blessing: May God strengthen you as you lean on him in prayer.

