

Jesus—#74 “Gethsemane”

Texts: John 18:1-12; Matt 26:36-56 *Desire of Ages*, p. 685-697

1. As Jesus neared the Garden of Gethsemane why did He seem shut out from God’s sustaining presence? (685.2)

2. What were the issues before Christ that filled His soul with the dread of separation from the Father? (686.5)

3. In this garden battle what was crushing out Jesus’ life? (687.1)

4. In this night of the Savior’s great need, how could the disciples have shaken off their paralyzing stupor and prayed? (688.1)

5. Earlier Jesus has gained the victory over the powers of darkness and had claimed oneness with God, so why was He now so full of human anguish? (689.4)

6. While Jesus prayed for His own tempted, agonizing soul, how did the fate of humanity tremble in the balance? (690.2)

7. What does the Savior *see* that settles His mind to carry out the Father’s will, whatever the cost? (690.3)

8. At this moment of the Savior’s deepest agony, why was there *silence* in heaven? (693.2)

9. Why did God send an angel in this awful moment? (693.3)

10. During this season of prayer and unutterable anguish of soul, what had Jesus borne that no human being could ever bear? (694.1)

11. What did the disciples hear and see as they were wakened by a light that surrounded the Savior? (694.2)

12. When the mob approached Jesus, why did the priests, elders, soldiers, and even Judas, fall as dead men to the ground? (694.5)
