

## The Gospel According To MARK

### Chapter 14:27-72

### “Dear Saint, Watch & Pray!”

#### > Point #1 - Dear Saints, don't be in DENIAL (v27-31)

> Peter is a self-made man; he has not been broken before the Lord. Peter is a self-willed man; he had not fully surrendered his heart unto God. Peter is a selfish man, he has not made a decision to completely follow Christ, and thus he will deny the Lord three times. Can we relate?

> In verse 31 we see that all the disciples felt the same way, not one of them will deny the Lord, but they will scatter and leave Jesus. Be careful dear saint, do not to live your Christian life by feelings, we must live and walk by **FAITH!** Faith is found 245 times throughout the Bible.

**(Future insight:** Peter will come to FAITH after the resurrection of Christ, his FAITH is solid as he writes to all saints 1 Peter 1:3-9 - *“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through **faith for salvation** ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, that the **genuineness of your faith**, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, **receiving the end of your faith**— the salvation of your souls.”)*

#### > POINT #2 – Dear Saints, WATCH & PRAY! (v32-42)

> **Be on the WATCH for:**

- **TEMPTATION** - Mark 14:38 - *Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”*

- **FALSE TEACHERS** - Acts 20:29-31 - *For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves. Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears.*

- **YOUR FAITH** - 1 Corinthians 16:13-14 - *Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love.*

- **THE RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH** - Matthew 24:36-43 - *“But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. Then two men will be in the field: one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding at the mill: one will be taken and the other left. Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming.*

> **WHY PRAY?**

- **WE ARE COMMANDED TO PRAY** – Luke 18:1 - *Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart,*

- **PRAYER IS THE ONLY WAY TO GET THINGS FROM GOD** – James 4:2 - *Yet you do not have because you do not ask.*

- **BECAUSE THERE IS JOY IN PRAYER** – John 16:24 - *Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.*

- **PRAYER WILL HELP YOU OUT OF YOUR TROUBLES** – Psalm 34:6 - *This poor man cried out, and the Lord heard him, And saved him out of all his troubles.*

- **PRAYER GIVES YOU WISDOM** – James 1:5 - *If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.*

- **PRAYER BRINGS POWER** – Jeremiah 33:3 - *Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.*

- **IT IS A SIN NOT TO PRAY** – 1 Samuel 12:23-24 - *Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you; but I will teach you the good and the right way.*

- **PRAY WITHOUT CEASING** – 1 Thessalonians 5:17

> **POINT #3 – Dear Saints, TRUST in our LORD JESUS CHRIST! (v43-72)**

(v43-50) Dear Saint, let Jesus **TEACH** you, the **SCRIPTURES MUST BE FULFILLED!** (v49)

(v51-65) Dear Saint, **JESUS IS OUR GREAT “I AM”!** (v62) (Jesus used the phrase “I am” some 80 times in the Gospels.)

- Dear Saint, **TRUST** in these “I AM” Scriptures:

**John 6:35-36 - “I am the bread of life.”** *He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.*

**John 8:12 - “I am the light of the world.”** *He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.”*

**John 10:11 - “I am the good shepherd.”** *The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep.*

**John 11:25-26 - “I am the resurrection and the life.”** *He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.*

**John 14:6 - “I am the way, the truth, and the life.”** *No one comes to the Father except through Me.*

**John 15:5 - “I am the vine, you are the branches.”** *He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.*

(v66-72) Dear Saint, the Word of Jesus is always **TRUE!**

**(Peter denied our Lord Jesus Christ, but he was not DEFEATED! Peter will be VICTORIOUS; the question is how will he change? Jesus prayed for Peter - Luke 22:31-32 - And the Lord said, “Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and when you have returned to Me, strengthen your brethren.”**

> **DEAR SAINT YOU ARE VICTORIOUS! JESUS PRAYED FOR YOU! (John chapter 17)**