



Let Thy Will Be Done in 2021!

LUKE 11:1-2

Our Theme Was First Coined By Jesus

In the text for today, Jesus had just finished praying in a certain place and one of His disciples, apparently impressed by his example, asked Him to teach them how to pray as John taught his disciples

As a disciple, Luke records the consistency of Jesus' praying more than the other gospel writers

Luke 3:21 - When He was baptized, He prayed

Luke 5:16 - He withdrew to the wilderness and prayed

Luke 6:12 - Jesus spent the night praying to God

Luke 9:18 - Prayed in private even though with disciples

Luke 9:28-29- Jesus prayed while he was transfigured

Jesus' Prayer Life Is One We Should Emulate!

Luke 11:1-2(KJV)

“And He said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.”

This phrase in this prayer, is one that we have memorized from our youth (it’s quoted at elementary schools, and even at gravesides across America)

But sooner or later, for the child of God, this prayer **HAS TO BE LIVED** to be a disciple of Jesus!
Matthew 16:24 (this phrase is meant for our cross)

Jesus Submitted to the Principle First!

Matthew 26:36-39 (NIV)

“Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and said to them, Sit here, while I go over there and pray.” He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with Him, and He began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then He said to them, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.”

Matthew 26:36-39

“Going a little farther, He fell with His face to the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it be possible, may this cup be taken from me.

Yet not as I will, but as you will.”

Jesus had left His home in Glory to be our Savior, and while on earth, He had been constantly aware of His mission

During the three-years-plus of His ministry, He was deliberately and intentionally moving to the cross

Every sermon, every parable, every miracle, every day, and every year, moved Him closer to the cross

Observation

During that last Passover Meal with His disciples, He gave them symbols of His body and His blood, the unleavened bread and the fruit of the vine, that would be soon broken and poured out for our sins.

Jesus knew that before the next day was over, He would give up His life on a cruel cross

I can't imagine the stress and the pressure that He was under as he went into that garden to pray (have you ever prayed with real stress on you?)

Syndrome of Hematidrosis-hemorrhaging of blood into the sweat glands causing them to burst, causing blood to ooze from the skin (Dr. Edwards; J.A.M.A., 1986) Luke 22:44

In the Midst Of This Suffering Jesus Cries Out In His Prayer!

“My Father, if it is possible, let this cup be taken from me.”

Jesus Was Not God Acting Humanly!

He Was a Human Acting Divinely!

So He Says, *“Yet not as I will, but as you will.”*

Satan wanted Him to walk away from His mission

This is the difference between, “Lip Service” and REAL COURAGE!

Then, Jesus goes on to the cross for you and me to complete God’s will for His earthly life (He didn’t write a check in, *“The Lord’s Prayer,”* that He couldn’t cash; If His check bounced, we’re all through)

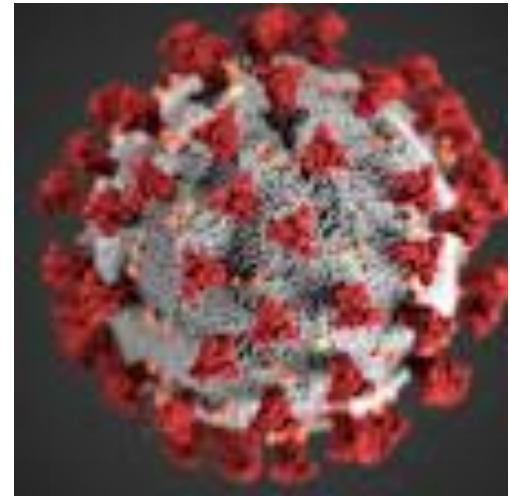
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Like Jesus, we’ve got to constantly be aware of our mission, looking at Jesus as our example; Hebrews 12:1-2

Over 2 million lives have already been lost from the Coronavirus across the world

Approximately 350,000 deaths in the United States alone (around 5,000 in Alabama)

God has allowed man to develop promising therapies, as well as use His biblical methods, for navigating our way through this pandemic

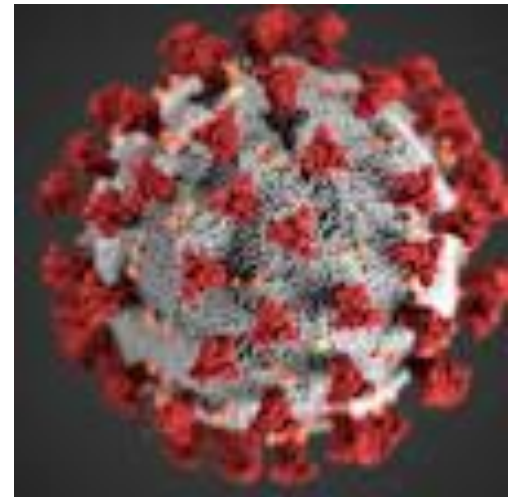


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That God has allowed a world wide pestilence (disease) is not debatable for the believer. Habakkuk 3:5-6

Social distancing, self isolation, and the wearing of protective coverings are not new ideas, but the “reworking” of Biblical mandates used to treat infectious disease; Leviticus 13

We must accept God’s will and move closer to Him as the Pandemic rages, Luke 22:44 *“And being in agony, He prayed more earnestly.....”*



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To be dedicated to God’s will means to be opposed to Satan’s will

For us, to pray that God’s will be done, and live that way, is to rebel against the worldly idea that sin is normal and inevitable and should be at least tolerated

Systemic racism has again raised its ugly head in this country. African Americans face a “culture of implicit bias,” as a part of everyday life.

Which Event Is

**Most Costly To The
Dead Man?**



**The Black Man is a
Dead Man In Both!**

**Do Black Lives
Matter to Black
People?**





One of the greatest enemies that Satan uses to counter our chosen theme is PRIDE

When my “respect” is being challenged, I may disobey God and not follow His path to a peaceful resolution, but that would counter the theme for the year and God’s will for my life (imitate Him)

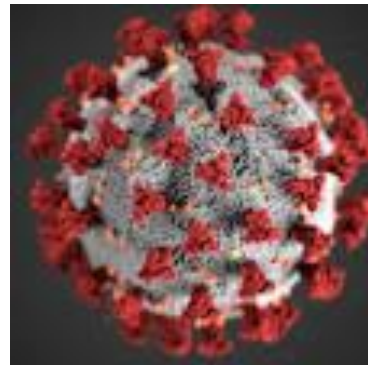


**God already has instructions for me on how to deal with a lack of respect (in the home, at work, at school)
Romans 12:14-19 (*“Bless them which persecute you bless and curse not....”*)**

Romans 12:16-17

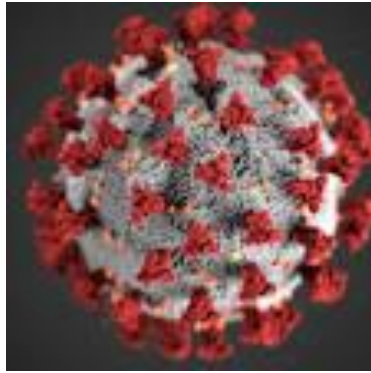
Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.”





Romans 12:18-19

"If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord."



To Handle All
Things Under
The Sun, Let
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The Plan Of Salvation

Hear the Gospel

Acts 15:7

Believe the Gospel

Acts 15:7

Repent Of Sins

Acts 2:38

Confess Christ

Acts 8:37

Be Baptized

Acts 8:38