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Sermon Series
Praying Like Jesus
"Conversations with My Father"
Pressurized Prayer
Matthew: 26:36-46

Big Idea: If you don't practice the presence of God when life is relaxed, you won't experience the presence of God when you are under pressure.

What are the benefits of finding ourselves drawn to "prayer under pressure"?

- A. Pressurized prayer is a place of sanctuary and support.
- B. Pressurized prayer is a place of solitude.
- C. Pressurized prayer is a place of struggle.
 - 5 Things Jesus saw in "the Cup"
 - 1) Jesus saw sin in that "Cup"
 - 2) Jesus saw suffering in that "Cup"
 - 3) Jesus saw sacrifice in that "Cup"
 - 4) Jesus saw separation in that "Cup"
 - 5) Jesus saw our salvation in that "Cup"
- D. Pressurized prayer is a place of submission.
- E. Pressurized prayer is a place of strength.

Take-Home Prayer Lessons from the Garden:

1. Follow the model of the Master
2. Effective emergency prayer should be preceded by a pattern of daily prayer.
3. Prayer strengthens us for difficulty more than it changes circumstances.
4. The ultimate issue in pressurized pray is NOT – whether or not I will get my way, but whether or not I will trust God.