

The Magnificent Heart of Christ, to prevent our fall into sin

108 The agonizing prayer of Christ and the prayerlessness of the disciples, from The Gospel of Mark 14:37-42

Introduction:

1 Corinthians 10:13 No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it.

Mark 14:37 And He came and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep watch for one hour? **38** "Keep watching and praying that you may not come into temptation; the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." **39** Again He went away and prayed, saying the same words. **40** And again He came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to answer Him. **41** And He came the third time, and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? It is enough; the hour has come; behold, the Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of sinners. **42** "Get up, let us be going; behold, the one who betrays Me is at hand!"

STRIKE ONE = verse 37

Luke 22:45 When He rose from prayer, He came to the disciples and found them sleeping from sorrow, **46** and said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not enter into temptation."

Mark 14:29 Even though all may fall away, yet I will not.

Mark 14:31 Even if I have to die with you, I will certainly not deny you

Luke 22:33 Lord, with you I am ready to go both to prison and to death

John 13:37 Lord, I will lay down my life for you.

COACHING = verse 38

1st The two command imperatives

1 Peter 5:8 Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

2nd The purpose

Luke 22:40 pray that you may not enter into temptation

2 Peter 2:9 the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from temptation

3rd The principle

Galatians 5:16 walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.

Galatians 1:4 who gave Himself for our sins so that He might rescue us from this present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father

MODELING = verse 39

STRIKE TWO = verse 40

2 Corinthians 12:9 *He has said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness."*

STRIKE THREE = verse 41a

IT'S DONE = verse 41b

LET'S MOVE OUT = verse 42

John 18:3 *Judas then, having received the Roman cohort and officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, came there with lanterns and torches and weapons. 4 So Jesus, knowing all the things that were coming upon Him, went forth and said to them, "Whom do you seek?"*

ONE - WHOM DO YOU _____?

Mark 8:34 *If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me.*

TWO - HOLINESS is NOT AN _____

Jude 4 *For certain persons have crept in unnoticed, those who were long beforehand marked out for this condemnation, ungodly persons who turn the grace of our God into licentiousness and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.*

Hebrews 12:14 *Pursue peace with all men, and the sanctification without which no one will see the Lord.*

THREE - ARE YOU SERIOUS ABOUT _____?

Psalms 119:11 *Your word I have treasured in my heart, That I may not sin against You.*

FOUR - CHRIST IS READY TO _____ YOU