### Prayer

- Lord Jesus, during the days of your life on earth, you offered up prayers and petitions with loud cries and tears to the one who could save you from death, and you were heard because of your reverent submission. Although you are the Son, you learned obedience from what you suffered and, once made perfect, you became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey you.
- "For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous." Lord, renew us for obedience.
- P Being found in human form, you humbled yourself and became obedient to death--even death on a cross.
- "For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous." Lord, renew us for obedience.
- P "Does the LORD delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the voice of the LORD? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams.
- "For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous." Lord, renew us for obedience.
- People who look intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continue to do this, not forgetting what they have heard but doing it--they will be blessed in what they do.
- "For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous." Lord, renew us for obedience.
- P "Whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."
- "For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous." Lord, renew us for obedience.
- "If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love."
- "For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous." Lord, renew us for obedience.
- P Lord Jesus, You took the cup of suffering for us in Gethsemane and prayed, "Yet not what I will, but what you will."
- Teach us the obedience of seeking the Father's will. Increase our faith so that we may follow his will. Give us the Spirit's power to live in obedience.
- P Renew us, Lord, for it is time to start again. It is time to see the light more clearly, to walk in the light more accurately, and to delight more fervently in being the children of light.
- Jesus Christ, Light of the world, lighten our pathways and empower us each step of the way.
- P And then, Lord, teach us to pray obediently and joyfully:
- **C** Our Father, who art in heaven...

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**Lent Midweek 2** 

<u>WELCOME</u> to the second of our midweek Lenten services. We pray that our gracious God will bless you richly in your worship as you are strengthened by his Word. Tonight we consider Lent as a time for renewal of obedience. Please join us every Wednesday in Lent and throughout Holy Week according to the schedule below.

# Lent: A Time for Renewal

Ash Wednesday, March 2
A Time for Renewal of Servanthood (Matthew 20:26)

Lent Midweek 2, March 9
A Time for Renewal of Obedience (1 Peter 5:6)

Lent Midweek 3, March 16
A Time for Renewal of Witness (Matthew 10:32-33)

Lent Midweek 4, March 23
A Time for Renewal of True Religion (Matthew 23:4)

Lent Midweek 5, March 30
A Time for Renewal of Priorities (1 John 2:15-17)

Lent Midweek 6, April 6
A Time for Renewal of Godly Fear (Romans 5:15)

Maundy Thursday, April 14
A Time for Renewal of Christian Unity (1 Corinthians 10:16-17)

Good Friday, April 15
A Time for Renewal of Faith (Romans 3:24-25)

Easter Sunday, April 17
A Time for Renewal of Hope (Psalm 130:7)

#### Mark 14:32-42

And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled. And he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch." And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. And he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will." And he came and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not watch one hour? Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy, and they did not know what to answer him. And he came the third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand."

- A O Lord, have mercy on us.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

## **Scripture Response**

- "Going a little farther, he fell on the ground and prayed that if possible the hour might pass from him."
- We cannot fathom all that happened that night in Gethsemane, but we do know that the powers of evil were gathering around, ready to destroy the Lord of life. The hour of confrontation between God and evil was now here, and it was focused on this one man, Jesus Christ.
- **P** "'*Abba*, Father,' he said."
  - These are the words of childlike trust and dependence; the words he taught us to say when we pray, "Our Father;" the words that we can say only when we know the Father through his Son.
- **P** "Everything is possible for you."
- "Thine is the kingdom and the power and glory." We pray this almost casually, often thoughtlessly. Now Jesus prays for us. Will the Father have some other plan for our salvation? Did God have to go this far--even to the point of death?
- **P** "Take this cup from me."
- The cup of bloodshed and violence, of injustice and cruelty; the cup of ugly thoughts, cutting words, shameful deeds; the cup of human rebellion and disobedience; the cup of the creatures setting themselves above the Creator--should the Sinless One drink the cup of wrath? Shouldn't we--and then die eternally?
- **P** "Yet not what I will."
- "Yet"--that word turns everything around in the plan of God. We are disobedient...yet! We are all sinners...yet! We deserve eternal death...yet!
- **P** "But what you will."
- "Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteousness, to bring you to God."
- **P** This is why we are here tonight, O Lord. We need to be renewed in our obedience.
- Save us, O Lord. Open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise!

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