



Main Idea: Because Jesus persisted in Gethsemane, He will always persist for us.

I. Jesus and his Father

II. Jesus and his Followers.

**#1 :** “The dreadful sorrow and anxiety, then, out of which the prayer for the passing of the cup springs, is not an expression of fear before a dark destiny, nor a shrinking from the prospect of physical suffering and death. It is rather the horror of the one who lives wholly for the Father at the prospect of the alienation from God which is entailed in the judgement upon sin which Jesus assumes. The horror thus anticipates the cry of being forsaken on the cross. Jesus came to be with the Father for an interlude before his betrayal, but found hell rather than heaven opened before him, and he staggered.”

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**#2 :**

Isaiah 51:22

Thus says your Lord, the Lord,

your God who pleads the cause of his people:

“Behold, I have taken from your hand the cup of staggering;  
the bowl of my wrath you shall drink no more.”

**#3 :**

“Jesus was about to be exposed to the one thing in life he really feared: not the cruel death which would end it (he knew he would rise again), but the indescribable experience of feeling himself to be God-forsaken. He felt he could not live – indeed, that life was not worth living – without the consciousness of his Father’s love for him.”

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**#4 :**

Genesis 3:15

“I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and her offspring;  
he shall bruise your head,  
and you shall bruise his heel.”

**#5 :**

“Just as rebellion in a garden brought Death’s reign over man, submission in Gethsemane reversed that pattern of rebellion and sets in motion a sequence of events which defeated death itself.”

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**#6 :**

Isaiah 53:12

Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many,  
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,  
because he poured out his soul to death  
and was numbered with the transgressors;  
yet he bore the sin of many,  
and makes intercession for the transgressors.

**#7 :**

“Yet the fact he entered that darkness and experienced such grief is the source of all of our comfort. It assures us that he understands our darkest hours. But more, it means he has drawn the sting from our darkest hour for he has entered our God-forsaken condition so that we might share his God-accepted relationship to the Father.”

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