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## Matthew 26:30-36

### The Scattering

- Peter's claim was a genuine expression of his passion for Jesus' welfare. He had the passion but lacked the *power* of the Holy Spirit.

*Luke 24:49 I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high...*

- The difference in Peter in **Acts 2**: His passion had been united with power.
- This is the same power of the Spirit that anointed Jesus to accomplish the Father's work.

### Gethsemane

- Jesus was in full control of all that was and would be happening to him.

*Luke 22:39 Jesus ...went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives...*

- Jesus had entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and had been spending His time teaching in the Temple during the day and retiring to the Mt. of Olives in the evening:

***Luke 21:37** Each day Jesus was teaching at the temple, and each evening He went out to spend the night on the hill called the Mount of Olives.*

- Judas would've known Jesus' location when he led the band of soldiers to arrest Jesus.
- Jesus entered the Mt. of Olives under the direction of the Spirit as He had entered the wilderness under the leading of the Spirit (**Matt. 4**).
- What is Gethsemane? The word is taken from the Aramaic which means *an olive press*—in which the olives were placed in order to *crush* them for the release of their precious oils.

***Is. 53:5** ...He was crushed for our iniquities...*

***Is. 53:10** ...it was the will of the Lord to crush him...*

- In the Incarnation, the Son of God took to himself a genuine human nature. He entered the Mt. of Olives by faith in the will of the Father being led by the Spirit.
- He did this to undo all the effects of the fall so that God's people would be able to fulfill their creative purpose (**Gen. 1:26-28**).

- Jesus, the last Representative Man (**1 Cor. 15:45**), had to walk by faith, trusting and obeying God's will by the Spirit.

***Hab 2:4** ...the righteous shall live by his faith...*

***Luke 4:1** Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the desert...**14** Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit...*

- This is the only faith that glorifies God because it is from God, for God and about God.