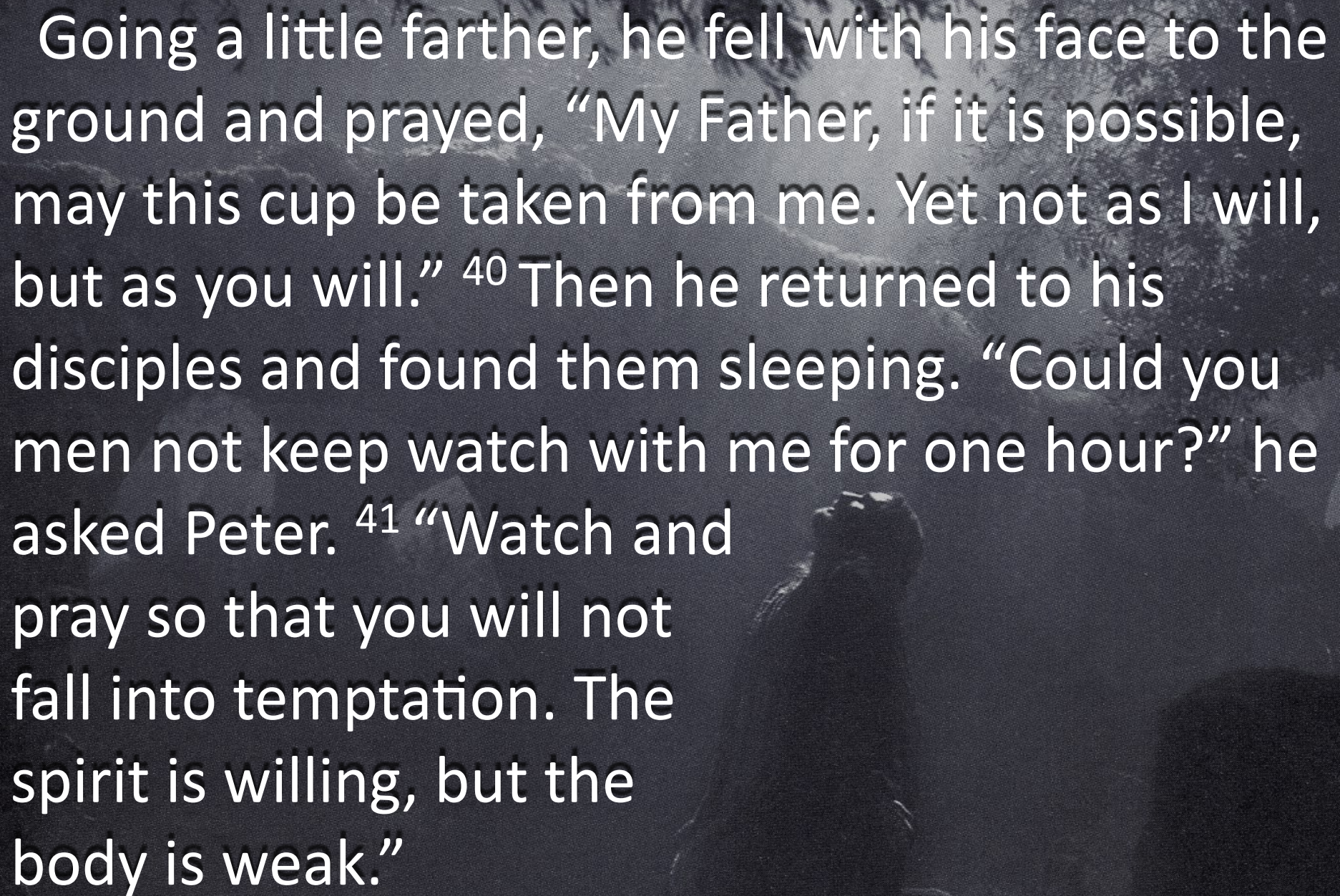
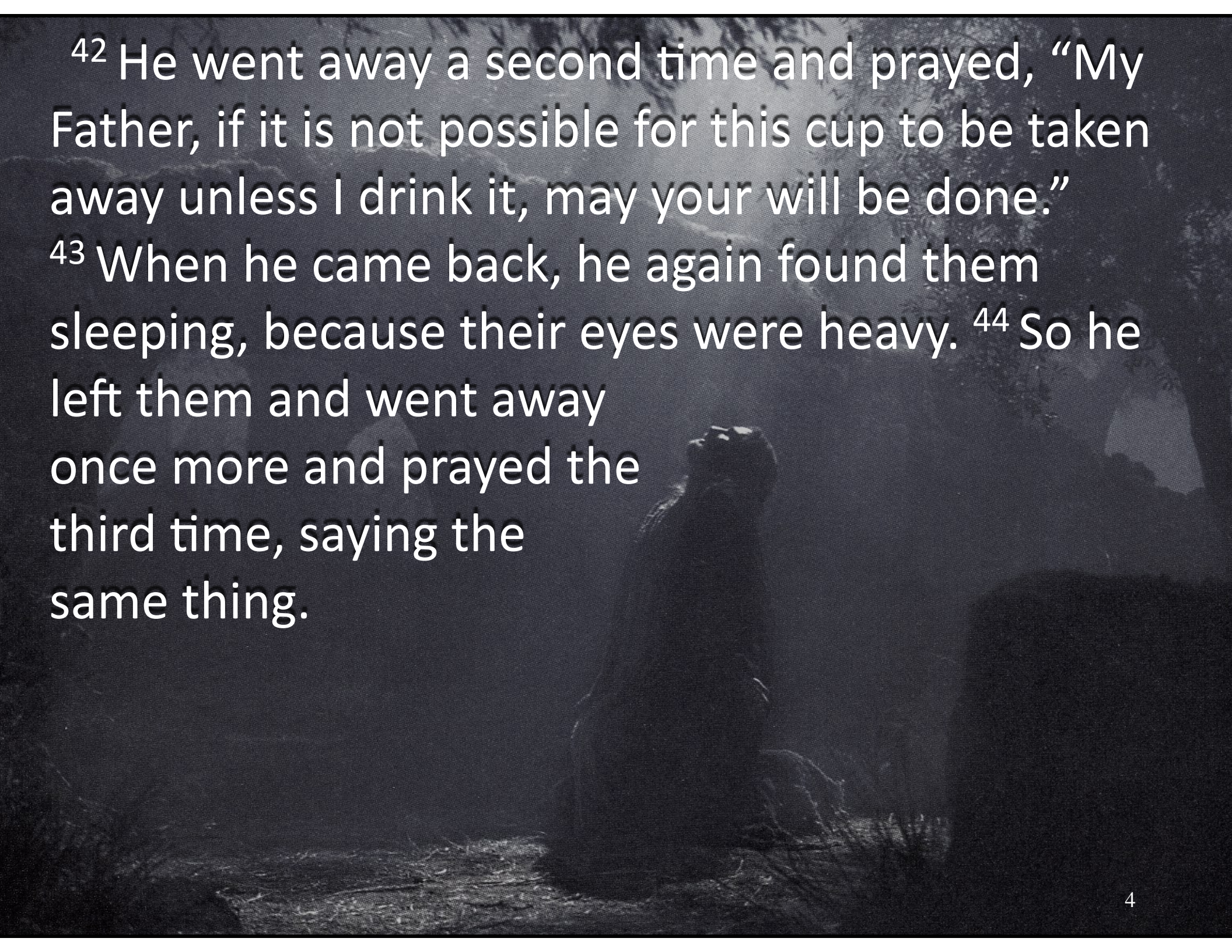


Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, “Sit here while I go over there and pray.”³⁷ He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled.³⁸ Then he said to them, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.”

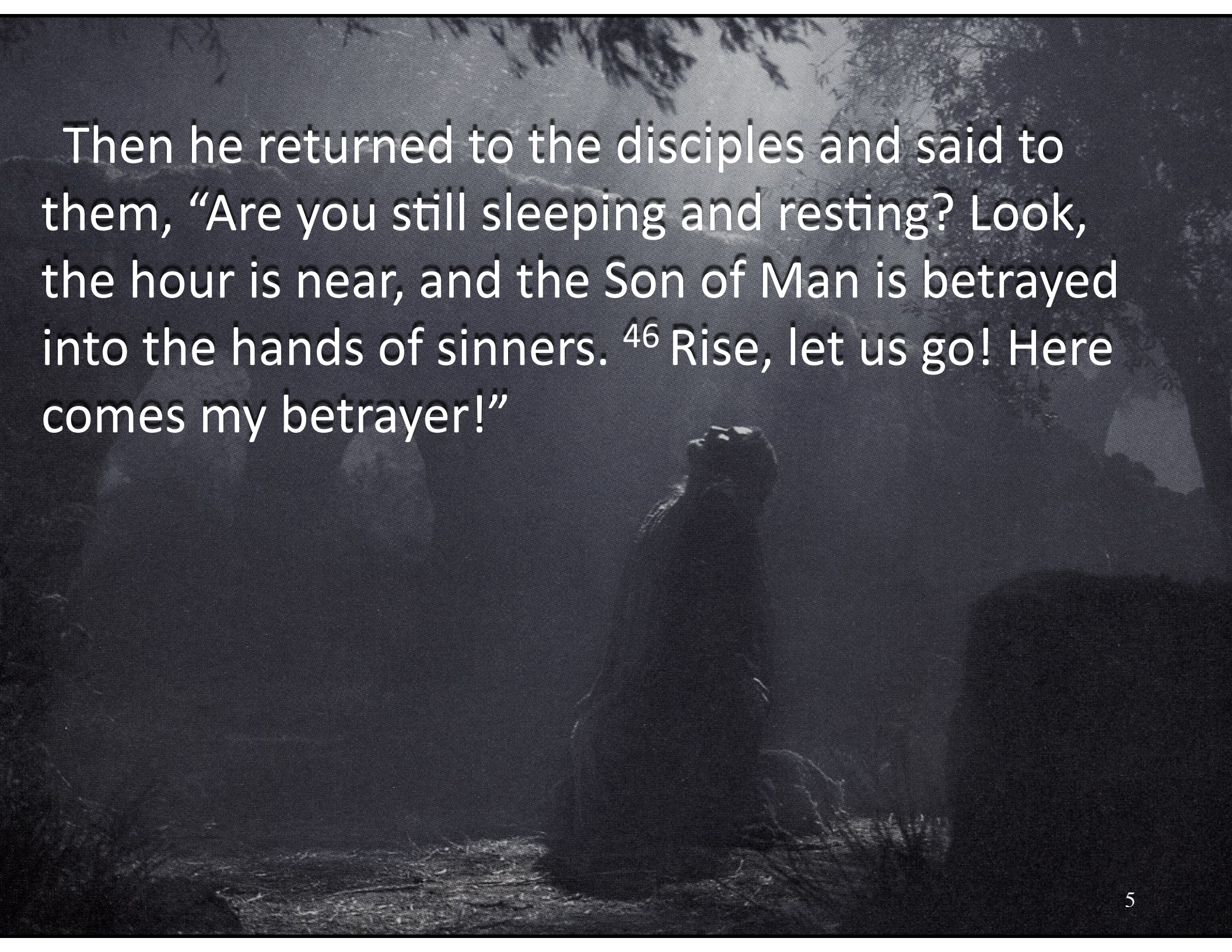


Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.”⁴⁰ Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. “Could you men not keep watch with me for one hour?” he asked Peter.⁴¹ “Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak.”

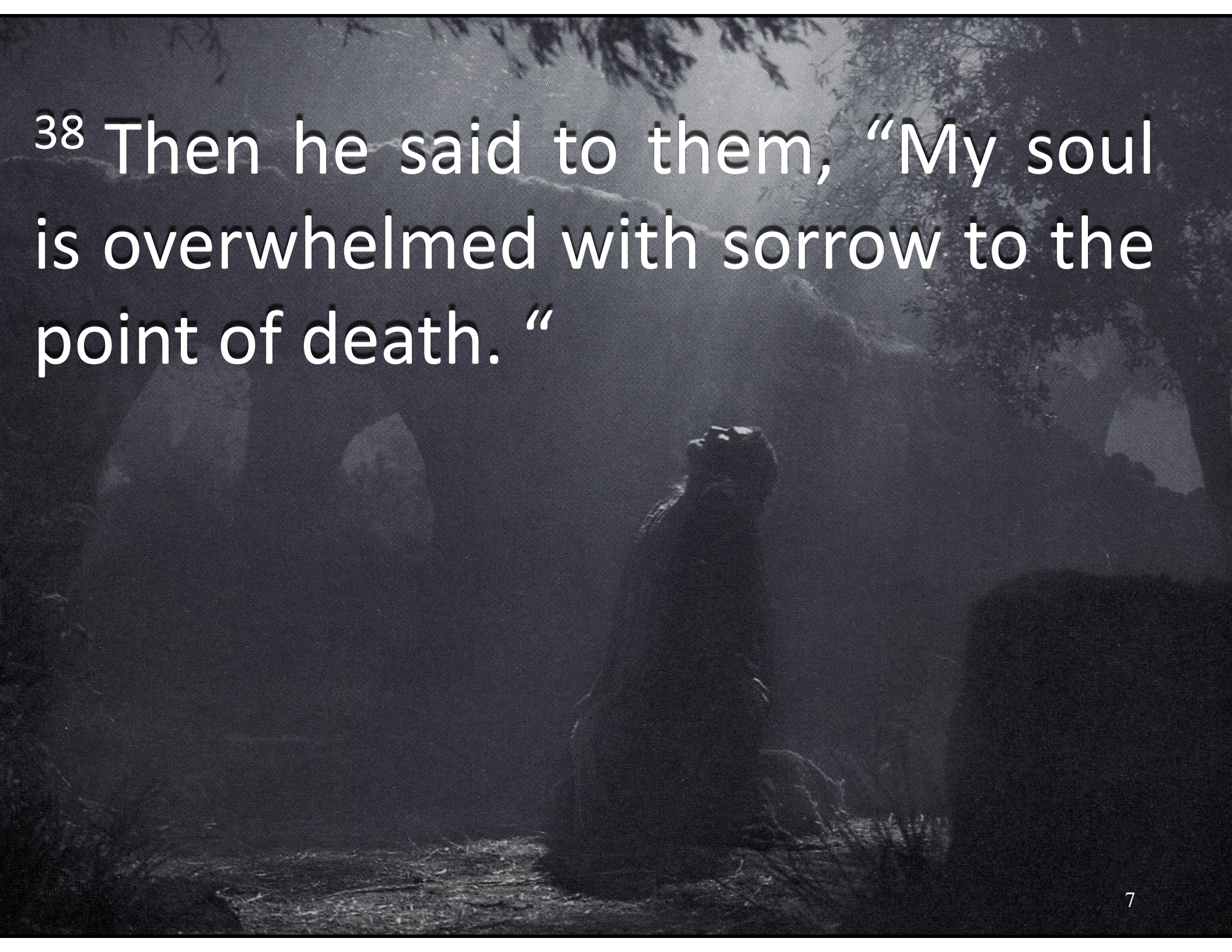


⁴² He went away a second time and prayed, “My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done.”

⁴³ When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. ⁴⁴ So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing.



Then he returned to the disciples and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour is near, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴⁶ Rise, let us go! Here comes my betrayer!”

A dark, atmospheric photograph of a person kneeling in a cemetery at night, looking up at a tombstone. The scene is dimly lit, with the person's silhouette and the tombstone standing out against the dark background. The overall mood is somber and reflective.

38 Then he said to them, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death.”

He was in agony and
prayed even more
intensely so that his
sweat was like great
drops of blood falling
to the ground.

Luke 22:44





"Eighty and six years I have served Him, and He has done me no wrong",



Hugh Latimer 1555 A.D.

“Be of good cheer, Master Ridley,
and play the man. We shall this
day by God’s grace light such a
candle in England as I trust shall
never be put out.”

“My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. ...”My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it- ...once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing.

vs. 39,42,44



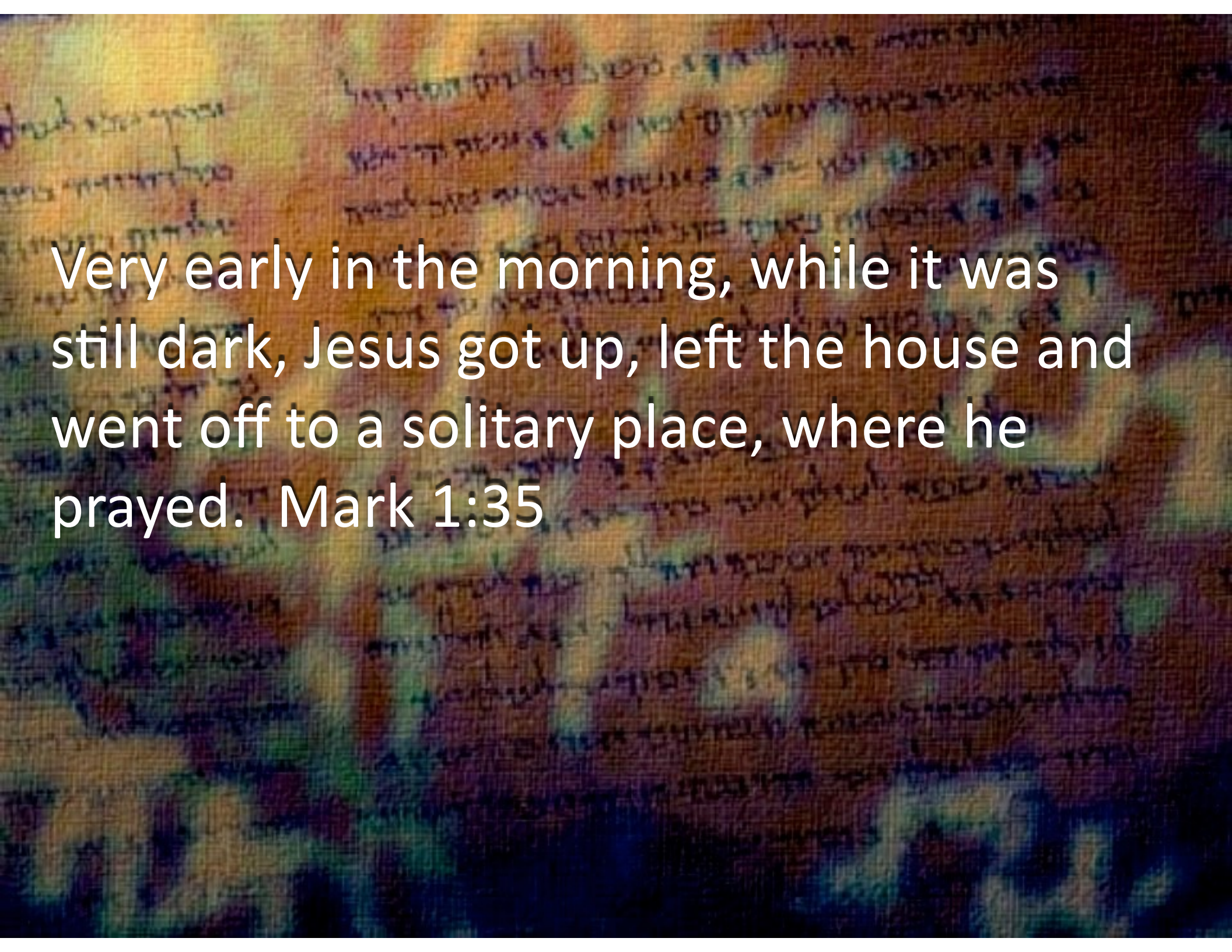


2 Thessalonians 1:9:

“They will be shut out from
the presence of the Lord and
the majesty of his power.”

Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; 7 rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

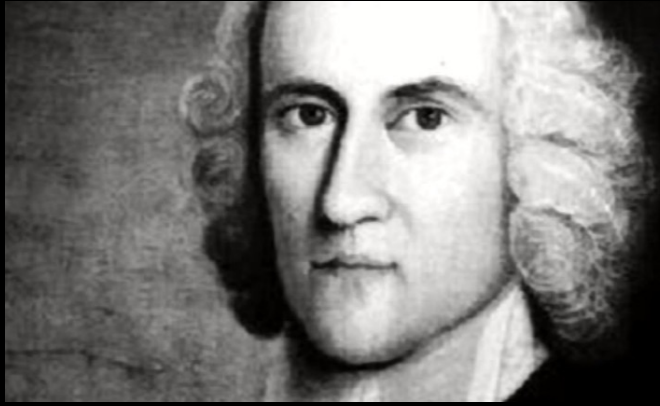
Philippians 2:6-8



Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Mark 1:35

So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. 42 I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.”
43 When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”

John 11:41-43




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“The agony was caused by a vivid, full, and immediate view of the wrath of God. God the Father, as it were, set the cup down before him, which was vastly more terrible than Nebuchadnezzar’s furnace. He now had a near view of that furnace into which he was about to be cast. He stood and viewed the raging flames and the glowing of its heat, that he might know where he was going and what he was about to suffer. He felt what Ezekiel said, ‘You shall drink the cup of ruin and desolation and tear your breasts,’ and what Isaiah said, ‘He will drink the cup of his fury and stagger.’ ”



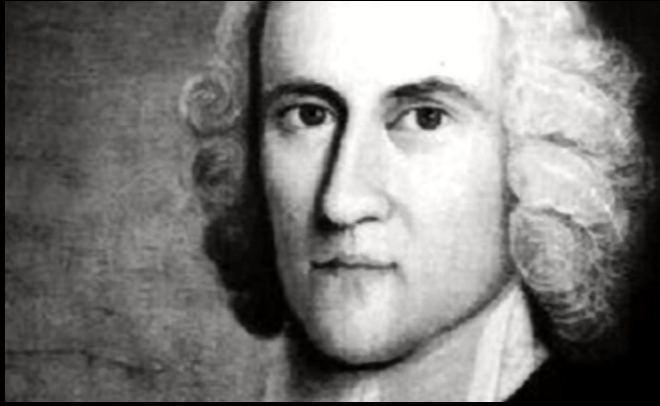
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“If just the taste and glimpse of these sufferings in the garden were enough to throw the eternal Son of God into shock and to nearly kill him in the anticipation of them, what was the actual full experience of those sufferings on the cross really like?”



I lay down my life for the sheep.
... 18 No one takes it from me,
but I lay it down of my own
accord. I have authority to lay it
down and authority to take it up
again. This command I received
from my Father.”

John 10:15,18

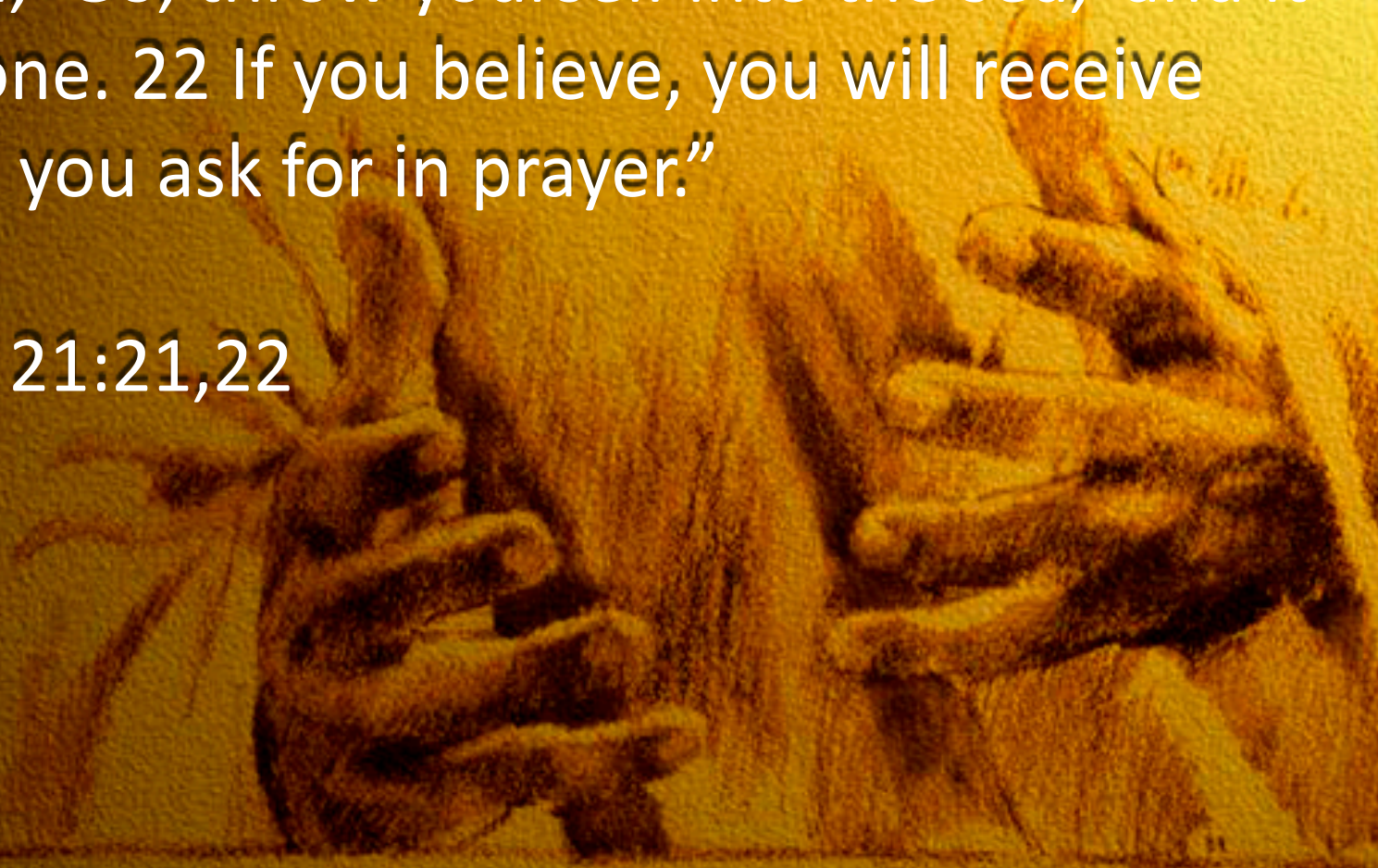


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If Christ had not fully known before he took it and drank it, it would not have properly been his own act as a man, but when he took that cup, knowing what he did, so was his love to us infinitely the more wonderful and his obedience to God infinitely the more perfect.”

Jesus replied, "Truly I tell you, if you have faith and do not doubt, not only can you do what was done to the fig tree, but also you can say to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and it will be done. 22 If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer."

Matthew 21:21,22



2 Corinthians 5:21:

“God made Christ sin who knew no sin that we might become the righteousness of God in him.”



