HANDOUT **Mark 14:26-52**  **Triumphant Resolve** TN 3-8-2020

**POINT 1 The Thunder clap of personal betrayal.**

We've known through our study of Mark's gospel that it's coming,

Mark 3:19

14:1, 10

14:3

14:11

14:18

14:20-21

Jn 18:2

Mk 14:43

14:44

14:46 And they laid hands on him and seized him.

**POINT 2 The gale force winds of abandonment.**

Mk 14:26

14:29

v31

John 18:4-6 When Jesussaid to them, “**I am** he,” they drew back and fell to the ground.

Mk 14:14

 v50

 v31 **And they all said the same 🡪**  v50 And they all **left** **him** and **fled**

**POINT 3 The torrential downpour of impending wrath and suffering**.

Rom 1:18

Mk 14:34

Lk 22:44 And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground

2 Cor 5:21 For our sake he made him to be **sin** who **knew** **no** **sin**,

so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

 Isaiah 53:1-10

John in 12:27 But for this purpose, I have come to this hour.

Mk 14:36

Hebrews 5:7 In the days of his flesh, Jesusoffered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, **to him who was able to save him from death**, and he was heard because of his holiness.

14:41 **the hour has come.**

**What does Mark tells us about Jesus? -**

We see his **knowledge** – he knew all that would take place

We see his **courage** – faced his betrayer

We see his **power**- he knew he would be resurrected

We see his **humility**- resolved to complete the plan of the Father

We see his **obedience** – fulfilling scripture

We see his **sovereignty -**in control of the whole process of redemption

We see his triumphant resolve to “give his life as a ransom for many ( FOR YOU).”

1. In what ways do you consider and meditate on what Jesus has done for you? (Mk 10:45). What things from this passage produces in you the most serious meditation? What thoughts from today lead you in personal praise and worship?

2. How would you respond to someone who said that Judas had no choice because he was destined to betray Jesus? How would you respond to the argument that Judas was not guilty because he did what God planned for him to do?

3. In what areas of temptation might you be susceptible to pride and say, “I would never do that”? How do Proverbs 16:18 and 1 Corinthians 10:12 help?

4. In what circumstances are you most tempted to fall away? How can you best prepare to stay faithful to God?

5. Imagine finding out that in 24 hours you would die violently, and painfully, and everyone you thought that loved you left. How would you handle that knowledge? How would you spend those hours? What did Jesus do?

6. Have you ever been determined to pray, but you fell asleep? What causes this? How might you improve your ability to “stay awake and pray" (14:38)? How did prayerlessness make the disciples unprepared for what happened?

7. How would you explain to a non-Christian what caused Jesus such agony as He prayed in the garden?

8. How has the cross made for us a sure foundation no matter what happens to us?

9. Why is God a refuge for us in our storms? In what way? (Ps 46:1)