

# LUKE'S GOSPEL

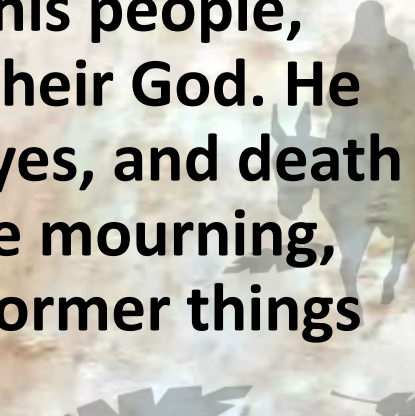
INVESTIGATING THE MAN WHO IS GOD

PREPARING TO DIE

A silhouette of a person riding a donkey, positioned on the right side of the sign. The person is wearing a long, dark robe and a hood. The donkey is facing left. The background of the sign is a textured, aged parchment-like surface with some faint, larger-scale silhouettes of the same figure and donkey.

## **Rev 21:3-4 (ESV)**

**And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”**





## **Rev 22:20-21** (ESV)

**He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.**



***“My argument against God was that the universe seemed so cruel and unjust. But how had I got this idea of ‘just’ and ‘unjust’?...What was I comparing this universe with when I called it unjust?...Of course I could have given up my idea of justice by saying it was nothing but a private idea of my own. But if I did that, then my argument against God collapsed too—for the argument depended on saying that the world was really unjust, not simply that it did not happen to please my private fancies.... Consequently atheism turns out to be too simple.” -CS Lewis***



**Prepared by Prayer for the Cup**












## **Luke 22:39-46 (ESV)**


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**<sup>41</sup> And he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and knelt down and prayed, <sup>42</sup> saying, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done." <sup>43</sup> And there appeared to him an angel from heaven, strengthening him.**



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**<sup>44</sup> And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground. <sup>45</sup> And when he rose from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping for sorrow, <sup>46</sup> and he said to them, “Why are you sleeping? Rise and pray that you may not enter into temptation.”**

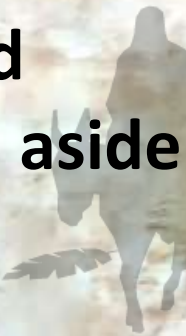


**Why the agony?**



## **Mark 10:32** (ESV)

**They were on the road going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking on ahead of them; and they were amazed, and those who followed were fearful. And again He took the twelve aside and began to tell them what was going to happen to Him.**

A faint, semi-transparent silhouette of a person riding a donkey is visible on the right side of the text area. The silhouette is dark and blends into the background of the parchment-like texture.





# Luke 22:42 (ESV)

**“remove this cup from me”**













**Jesus was in anguish because he would:**

**Take on the sins of the world**

**Take on God's wrath against sin**

**Be abandoned by His Father**





## **John 8:29** (ESV)

**“And He who sent Me is with Me; He has not left Me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to Him.”**



## **John 16:32** (ESV)

**“Behold, an hour is coming, and has already come, for you to be scattered, each to his own home, and to leave Me alone; and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with Me.”**






# Mark 15:34b (ESV)

**“My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?”**



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***“Christianity alone among the world religions claims that God became uniquely and fully human in Jesus Christ and therefore knows firsthand despair, rejection, loneliness, poverty, bereavement, torture, and imprisonment. On the cross he went beyond even the worst human suffering and experienced cosmic rejection and pain that exceeds ours as infinitely as his knowledge and power exceeds ours. In his death, God suffers in love, identifying with the abandoned and godforsaken. Why did he do it? The Bible says that Jesus came on a rescue mission for creation. He had to pay for our sins so that someday he can end evil and suffering without ending us.”***

***-Tim Keller, The Reason for God***