

# The Hardest Prayer

Luke 22:39-46



- (40) – Jesus' command to pray
  - (41) – Jesus departs from his disciples
    - (42) – Jesus' prayer is quoted
      - (43) – The Father's answer to Jesus' prayer
        - (44) – Jesus' prayer is reported
  - (45) – Jesus returns to his disciples
- (46) – Jesus' command to pray

**LITERARY STRUCTURE OF LUKE 22:39-46**

LUKE 22:40, 45-46

# THE ANXIETY JESUS HAS

The humble prayer Jesus  
commands us to pray

LUKE 22:41-42

# THE ANGUISH JESUS FACES

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- **Virtue**

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- **Terror**
- **Virtue**
- **Victory**

LUKE 22:41-42

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The awful cup Jesus is  
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LUKE 22:43-44

# THE ASSISTANCE JESUS RECEIVES

The heavenly help God gives to  
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- **Compassion**
- **Power**

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For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

(Hebrews 4:15-16)

- Because of the *anxiety* Jesus had, we ought always to be **prayerful**
- Because of the *anguish* Jesus faced, we ought always to be **thankful**
- Because of the *assistance* Jesus received, we ought always to be **hopeful**