

**HOW TO AVOID DISASTROUS SPIRITUAL FAILURE? Part 2**  
**LEARNING FROM JESUS' EXAMPLE IN THE MIDST OF**  
**GREAT SORROW AND TEMPTATION**  
**Matthew 26:36-46**

- I. **REVIEW: WE MUST LISTEN TO WHAT GOD SAYS!** We are in terrible spiritual danger when we do not truly hear what our Lord says in His Word (31-33)
  
- II. **REVIEW: WE MUST SEE OURSELVES RIGHTLY:** We are in terrible spiritual danger when we do not see ourselves rightly, as absolutely weak (33-35)
  
- III. **WE MUST BE WATCHFUL AND RELY COMPLETELY UPON THE LORD THROUGH SUBMISSIVE DEPENDENT PRAYER to deliver us from the temptation to rely on self and do one's own will rather than His (36-45)**
  - A. **LEARN FROM JESUS' EXAMPLE:** He prayed in the time of His deepest sorrow and temptation (36-38)
  
  - B. **LEARN FROM WHAT HE PRAYS:** Jesus acknowledged His human temptation and desire (without sinning) and then sought to submit Himself to the Father's divine will instead (39,42-44)
  
  - C. **LEARN FROM HIS WARNING:** Jesus finding His disciples asleep, reproves and warns them about the danger of not alertly praying in light of their total weakness (40-41)
  
  - D. **LEARN FROM HIS PERSISTENCE IN SUBMISSIVE PRAYER (42-44)**
  
  - E. **LEARN FROM HIS RESULTING RENEWED RESOLVE TO DO THE FATHERS WILL (45-46)**