The Good News that John Wrote

...that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.

John 20.31

Life in the Spirit

Objectives of the Class

- To behold in our hearts the glory of Christ
- To participate more deeply in life in the Spirit
- To become more conformed to His image
- To pray for and encourage one another

Prayer Before Reading Scripture

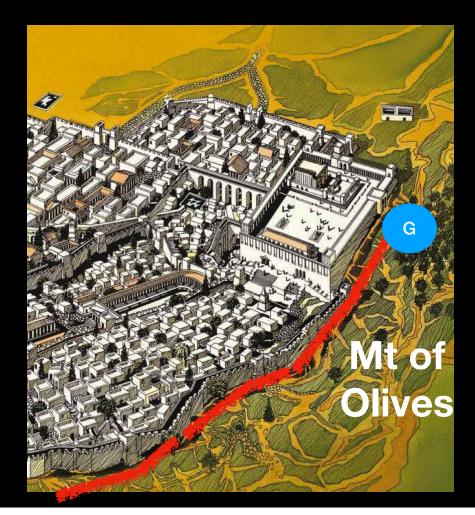
Shine within our hearts, loving Master, the pure light of Your divine knowledge and open the eyes of our minds that we may comprehend the message of Your Gospel. Instill in us also reverence for Your blessed commandments, so that having conquered all sinful desires, we may pursue a spiritual life, thinking and doing all those things that are pleasing to You. For You, Christ our God, are the light of our souls and bodies, and to You we give glory together with Your Father who is without beginning and Your all holy, good, and life giving Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

John 18.1-11

Outline of John 18-19

- Jesus and His enemies in a garden (18.1-11)
- 2. Jesus brought before Jewish leaders (18.12-27)
- 3. Jesus brought before Pilate (18:28– 19:6a)
- 4. The Crucifixion (19:16b-37)
- 5. Jesus' Burial (19.38-42)

After Jesus had said this prayer, he left with his disciples and went across Kidron Brook. There was a garden in that place, and Jesus and his disciples went in.



Judas, the traitor, knew where it was, because many times Jesus had met there with his disciples.

So Judas went to the garden, taking with him a group of Roman soldiers, and some Temple guards sent by the chief priests and the Pharisees; they were armed and carried lanterns and torches.

Jesus knew everything that was going to happen to him, so he stepped forward and asked them, "Who is it you are looking for?"

"Jesus of Nazareth," they answered. "I am he," he said. Judas, the traitor, was standing there with them.

When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they moved back and fell to the ground.

Again Jesus asked them, "Who is it you are looking for?" "Jesus of Nazareth," they said.

"I have already told you that I am he," Jesus said. "If, then, you are looking for me, let these others go."

(He said this so that what he had said might come true: "Father, I have not lost even one of those you gave me.")

Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it and struck the High Priest's slave, cutting off his right ear. The name of the slave was Malchus.

Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword back in its place! Do you think that I will not drink the cup of suffering which my Father has given me?" Questions? Comments?