

Honest Questions

Description

Mark 14:32-41

God desires our honesty. God desires having a good relationship with each and every one of us, and one of the most important aspects of a good relationship is the ability to be able to ask questions. Jesus reminds us that this is what prayer is for—talking with God and even expressing our emotions and opinions. Even though He knew He would be resurrected after dying and that it was a necessary act to save the world, He still let God know that He did not want to be crucified.

The emotions in Mark 14—distress and trouble, sadness and sorrow—are normal human emotions. We are created to feel them, and there is no shame in their presence.

The problem comes if we choose to lean on our emotions instead of God's promises. Jesus was distressed but He was still obedient, following the will of God because He knew God was more powerful than His emotions and opinions. In His obedience, the entirety of the world, past and present, was saved from sin.

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