JESUS' LAST WEEK: FROM THE ROOM TO THE GARDEN

Thursday, April 14, 2022 SCRIPTURES OF THE DAY



<u>Matthew 6:10;</u> <u>Matthew 6:31-33;</u> <u>John 13:26-30;</u> <u>John 13:31-35;</u> <u>John 13:36-38;</u> <u>John 14:1-15:17</u>

STUDY & You may notice that beginning at John 13:26 through John 15:17, the scriptures are contiguous, but broken into sections to allow us to consider *how much took place* as the Supper was ended to the garden, where the Lord's High Priestly Prayer was offered. Pay close attention:

- In John 13:26-30, Jesus gives the sop to Judas and he leaves to betray Jesus. In verses 31-35, with Judas gone, there is a *shift* in Jesus sharing and level of intimacy with the rest...**the New Commandment to LOVE one another as the truest sign of their common discipleship is given**.
- In verses 36-38, Jesus tells of Peter's denial.
- In chapter 14 through chapter 15:17, Jesus gives His final love to them and calms their frightened souls.... *Let not your hearts be troubled...*. He gives His teachings regarding the *Comforter* who will be In them and never leave them
- In chapter 15, as they leave the room, He guides them toward the garden and passing the vineyards, teaches them *their relationship to Him as Vine, Branches*, future fruit-bearers, **no longer servants but now friends.**

The teachings encompassed in these passages are too numerous and too important to embrace in this single setting. Suffice it to say He is leading them and us, to the garden, where He faces down His greatest fear, and prays for and intercedes for us the genuine **LORD'S PRAYER.....for our Unity and Glory.**

ACTION Give attention to a few of these sections of scriptures that embrace the Lord's items journey of leading His disciples from the place where **Redemption** was depicted in the room, to the **Holy Place** where prayer for them and us was offered.

What lessons do you learn from these reflections?

INVOLVING OTHERS Choose one or two of these sections that you have studied individually and corporately dive deeply into them and share your reflections and new spiritual practices we must embrace as a body.