

IT IS FINISHED PREPARING FOR BAD THINGS

JOHN 18:1-11

Ben Blakey - Compass Bible Church - September 26, 2021

1. Rely		John 18:1–11 (ESV)
1. Rely	(vv. 1-6)	18 When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the brook Kidron, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. 2 Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. 3 So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. 4 Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, "Whom do you seek?" 5 They answered him, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said to them, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. 6 When Jesus
	(vv. 7-9)	said to them, "I am he," they drew back and fell to the ground. 7 So he asked them again, "Whom do you seek?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." 8 Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go." 9 This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: "Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one." 10 Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) 11 So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?"
3. Fearlessly		

(vv. 10-11)

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. **Reread John 18:1-6**. What are some of the details of Christ's sovereignty in this situation that stand out to you? How do they affect your view of the bad things that might happen in your life?

2. **Read 1 Corinthians 10:13.** What comfort do you take from remembering that there are divine limits set for the trials and temptations that we face? At the same time, how does this verse challenge you and remove excuses to fall into temptation?

3. **Read 1 Peter 5:6-7**. Are you ever tempted to doubt that God cares for you? How so? How will confidence in God's care help you to faithfully look to him for help?

4. **Read Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25**. What difference should it make in our thinking and lives to know this Jesus has "once for all" completely drained the cup of God's wrath on our behalf?

5. **Reread John 18:11**. While most of us might not be tempted to chop off someone's ear this week, what are some of the sinful ways you will be tempted to respond to trials and suffering? What from the text/sermon this Sunday will help you avoid these temptations?

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES	Prayer Requests
Here are some books which may help you dig deeper into what we studied today. While	Praise God that Jesus is still 100% in control.
Pastor Ben cannot endorse everything about each book/author, he does think these	Praise God that Jesus completely drained the cup of the wrath of God for
books are worth considering and reading.	us.
Bridges, Jerry. <i>Trusting God</i> . NavPress, 1988. Carson, D.A. <i>How Long, O Lord?</i> Baker Academic, 2006. Fabarez, Mike. <i>Lifelines for Tough Times</i> . Harvest House, 2018.	Pray that we would respond rightly to the "bad things" that happen in our own lives. Pray that Family Weekend would bear much fruit in the marriages at CBCTV. Pray that God will provide a long-term home for CBCTV through the Taking Ground project.

REVIVAL FROM THE BIBLE READING				
Date	O.T.	Psalms	Gospels	N.T.
9/27	Isaiah 31-33	Psalm 110	Luke 22:14-23	Hebrews 7:11-28
9/28	Isaiah 34-36	Psalm 111	Luke 22:24-46	Hebrews 8:1-7
9/29	Isaiah 37-39	Psalm 112	Luke 22:47-54	Hebrews 8:8-13
9/30	Isaiah 40-41	Psalm 113	Luke 2:55-71	Hebrews 9:1-14
10/1	Isaiah 42-44	Psalm 114	Luke 23:1-12	Hebrews 9:15-28
10/2	Isaiah 45-47	Psalm 115:1-8	Luke 23:13-25	Hebrews 10:1-18

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