La Jolla Christian Fellowship Good Friday 2023 RESTORATION PLAN

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Matthew 26:36-46 NIV 1984

36 Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." 37 He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. 38 Then he said to them, "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me."39 Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will."40 Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Could you men not keep watch with me for one hour?" he asked Peter. 41 "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak." 42 He went away a second time and prayed, "My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done."43 When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. 44 So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing.45 Then he returned to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour is near, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. 46 Rise, let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"

The Divine Dilemma

Perfect Justice

Loving Mercy

Psalm 5:4 "You are not a God who takes pleasure in evil; with you the wicked cannot dwell.	Psalm 5:7 But I, by your great mercy, will come into your house;
Proverbs 17:15 He who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the righteous are both alike an abomination to the LORD.	1 Corinthians 10:11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.
Exodus 34:7 Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished	Exodus 34:6-7 "The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, 7 maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin.

- Love is not measured by emotion. It is measured by endurance.
- John 15:13 "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends."
- Love is "the readiness and willingness to secure the good for the other." -Dallas Willard