

Jesus' Example of Prayer

What can we learn about our prayer from Jesus' prayer life?

Mark 1:35 “And in the morning, rising up a great while before the day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed.”

- 1. Prayer was a Priority**
- 2. Prayer was Preparation for decisions**
- 3. Prayer requires Effort to get alone with God**



Luke 5:16 And he withdrew himself into the wilderness and prayed.

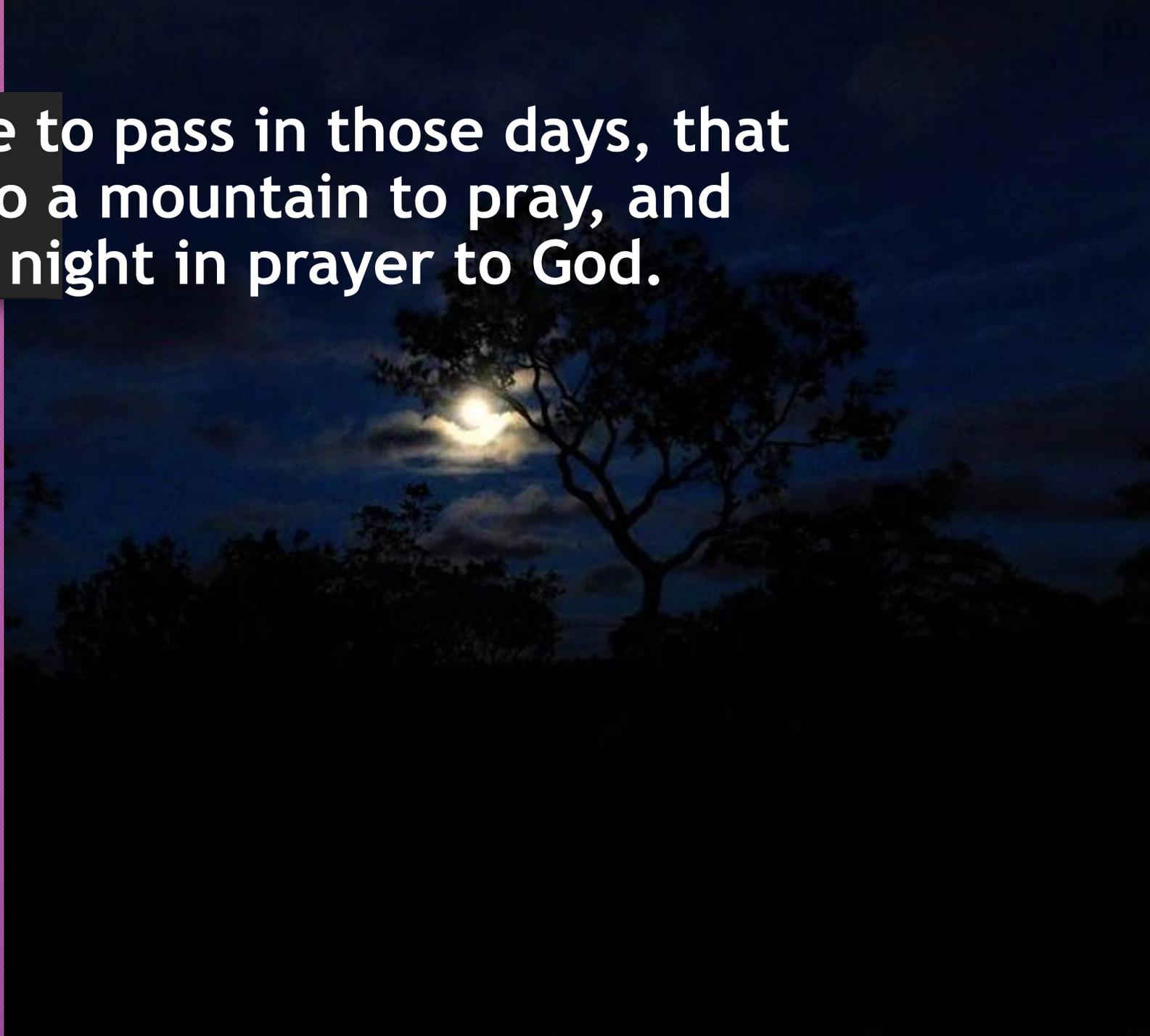
Priority

Effort

Habit

Luke 6:12 It came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.

1. Prayer was His Reaction to opposition
2. Prayer was His Preparation for decisions



Matthew 14:23 “When he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray.”

- 1. Priority of Prayer**
- 2. Made Effort to Pray**



Luke 9:18 “And it came to pass, as he was alone praying, his disciples were with him”



Luke 9:28 “And it came to pass about eight days after these sayings, he took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray.”



Jesus’ habit was to periodically separate Himself to pray for an extended period

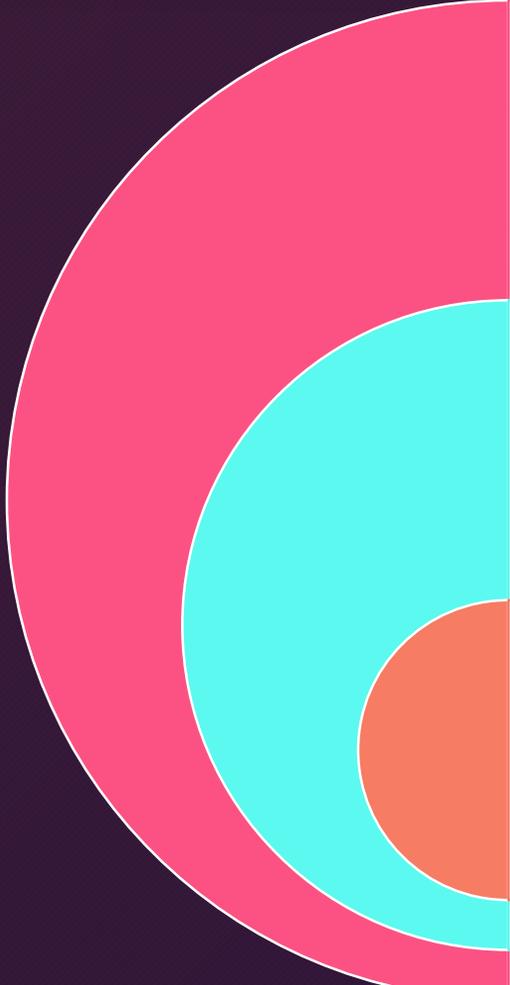
Mount Tabor, traditional site of the Transfiguration

John 14:16 “And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever.”

**Confident Faith that the Father
will answer His prayer**



John 17 was Jesus' high priestly prayer to His Father because He was leaving His disciples



**Vv. 1-5: for Himself -
Glorify the Son**

- that He may glorify the Father

**Vv. 6-19: for His disciples -
Keep & Sanctify them**

- Keep them in your name
- Keep them from Evil One
- Sanctify them in the truth

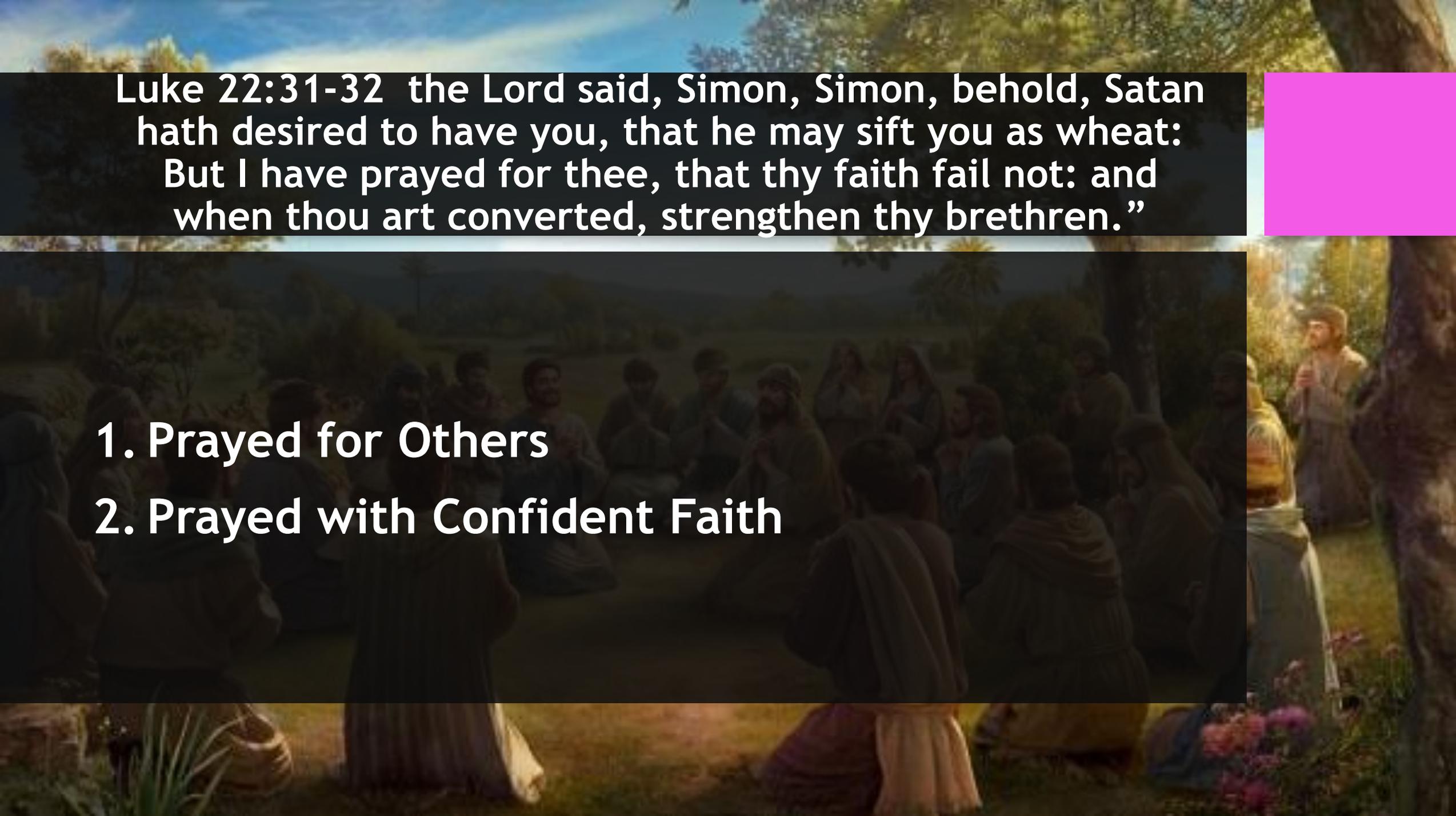
**Vv. 20-27: for future
disciples - Save them**

- that world may see the reality/truth of Christ

John 17: Jesus' High Priestly Prayer

- Jesus prayed for others more than self
- Jesus' prayers focused on the spiritual





Luke 22:31-32 the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.”

1. Prayed for Others

2. Prayed with Confident Faith

Mat 26:36 Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder. **Luk 22:41** And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed.

1. Jesus' Reaction to trials was to pray

2. Jesus Kneeled in prayer here



Mat 26:39 “He went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.” **26:42**
He went away again the second time, and prayed”

Luke 22:44 And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

1. Pray Persistently & Earnestly

2. Pray Submissively



Heb 5:7-8 When he had offered up prayers & supplications with strong crying & tears unto him that was able to save him from death, & was heard in that he feared; Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered”

- Pray Fervently & Earnestly
- Pray with Fear/Reverence
- Prayer was Answered



What was Jesus' example of prayer?

1. Jesus prioritized prayer
2. Jesus made effort to pray
3. Jesus reacted by praying
4. Jesus prayed mostly for others & ministry to others
5. Jesus prayed earnestly & confidently to the Father

How can we follow Jesus' example?

1. Make time to pray regularly even when busy
2. Make effort to pray for longer times
3. Respond to trials & choices by praying
4. Pray more for others & ministry to others
5. Pray earnestly & confidently to the Father