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Luke 22:41 And he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and knelt down and prayed

Jesus withdrew - stronger that simply "went away", adds a note of emotion.

Knelt down - vivid act indicating emotion

Luke 22:42 "Father, if you are willing,

Father – Jesus was the Son of God.

God in the flesh. The 2nd person of the Godhead.

fully divine nature and fully human nature were united in Him.

- The Hypostatic Union:
- "Two natures without confusion, without change, without division, without separation."
- Jesus conforms his human will to the Father's will.

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NAS Matthew 27:46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?"

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Old Testament - cup - symbol of divine wrath against sin

Isaiah 51:17 ¹⁷ Wake yourself, wake yourself, stand up, O Jerusalem, you who have drunk from the hand of the LORD the cup of his wrath, who have drunk to the dregs the bowl, the cup of staggering.

It was the plan of God for Jesus to bear our sins and drink the cup of God's wrath.

Isaiah 53:10 Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for sin.

Propitiation - satisfying of God's wrath against sin.

God poured out His cup of wrath on Jesus.

This turns the wrath of God AWAY from everyone who trusts Jesus as their substitute on the cross.

CSB Romans 3:25 God presented Him as a propitiation through faith in His blood, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His restraint God passed over the sins previously committed.

CSB Hebrews 2:17 Therefore He had to be like His brothers in every way, so that He could become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people

ESV 1 John 4:10 In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Luke 22:42 "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done."

Jesus' prayer – a request yielded to God in every way

Consider the LOVE of Jesus for His Father as He prayed. He didn't want to experience any separation from Him.

Consider the submission of Jesus to His Father as He prayed. He only wanted His Father's will.

Consider the humility of Jesus before His Father as He prayed. Not <u>MY</u> will... but <u>YOURS</u> be done.

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<u>Suffering</u> –remember that even the most horrific agony can bring about God's purposes

- 1. Acknowledge the pain
- 2. Don't get mad at God
- 3. Turn to God

Supplication - how did Jesus turn to God... what did He do?

- 1. Prayer support
- 2. Prioritize Prayer
- 3. Private prayer
- 4. Physical prayer.

Surrender

Jesus gave us the words to say...

- IF YOU are willing
- NOT MY WILL but Yours be done

Romans 8:38-39 For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.