



The Gospel According to John - Video 13

Thoughts from Ethel Powell on the Reading for Week of April 6: John 17:1-26

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Video Transcript:



I read the book of John, and when I did, it was very interesting to me. I sat and read--normally I don't read a whole book--but I sat and read that, and I found things that I had not remembered, because I had not read John for a while.

In the passage that I read, Jesus had come into the Garden Gethsemane, His disciples were outside, and He went further into the garden, to pray. And He prayed to the Father. And one of the other scriptures says --in one

of the other Gospels--that He sweat drops of blood. And He did ask, "can this cup pass from Me? But nevertheless, not My will, but Your will be done."

And then He prayed for *believers*, who were causing what happened to Him, and all that He went through, this man that did *not* sin *at all*, was willing to die for *our* sins, because He loved us. And all through that part, it's just very meaningful to me. And then... I just thought... there was so much that He was facing, and that He was *not really* looking *forward* to it, but He *did accept* what He was called to do. What the Lord wanted Him to do can be a lesson to *us* to do what we feel the Lord wants us to do.

The *whole chapter* shows *nothing* but unconditional love. And He loved us enough to die for us. And sometimes when I think about that, I think, "what have I done for Him?" And He might *ask* me that: "What have you done for Me?" And I have to admit, I have to answer, "Not enough."

When I think about *Jesus*, and what He *went* through for *me*, and He went through these for *other* people *as well*, I am so grateful to Him for what He *has* done for me, and what He has done in my life. He's been there for me so *many times*, and... I *could not live* without Him.

