

The Progression of Jesus' Heart

III: The _____ of Jesus: v10

After Jesus boldly faces His adversaries, His heart now progresses to bravely facing His own death.

- A. the _____ of bravery
- *bravery = a quality of spirit that enables you to face danger or pain without showing fear*
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- B. the _____ of bravery
- Jesus makes the decision to face the danger that lies ahead of Him without showing fear.

The progression of Jesus' heart is verification that God loves you (Romans 5:6-8; Romans 8:35-39)!

This night in the Garden of Gethsemane started with a burden on Jesus' heart. A burden to do the will of the Father. His burden then progressed to boldness when His enemies came to take Him to His death. And it ended that night with Jesus bravely facing the pain and death that would be found in the following hours on the cross, as He drank of the cup which His Father would have Him to drink.

I'm not sure that any of us will ever face the type of night that Jesus faced but we can be thankful this morning to have a Savior that bravely endured the cross on our behalf .



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Mark 14:32-36; John 18:1-9

The last night that Jesus was on this earth, before His crucifixion and resurrection, was certainly a night filled with emotions. We find confusion, joy and heartbreak. In Luke's account of this same time, we even find both agony and apathy.

And through it all, during this time ... on this night, we find Jesus' heart clearly progress.

This morning I want us to see the progression of Jesus' heart and discover three reasons we can be thankful to Jesus this morning.

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I: The _____ of Jesus: Mark 14:32-36
The Gospel of Mark gives us a little more detail on Jesus' burden while He was in the Garden of Gethsemane.

A. the _____ of His burden
While there are many ways for one to express their burden, Jesus expressed His through ...

- _____
- _____ towards the Father

B. the _____ of His burden
Jesus' burden was never for Himself. In our passage it was for...

- _____ first
- _____ second
- His _____ third

C. the _____ of His burden
Jesus confesses and expresses His burden to the Father by asking Him to "*take away this cup*" from Him.

Jesus loves you, cares for you, and is burdened for you. And His burden extends to forgiving your sin, reconciling you to our Heavenly Father, and in seeing those who have trusted in His work on the cross for their salvation develop and maintain a healthy relationship with the Lord.

How thankful we should be for His burden towards us!
Are you thankful today for Jesus' burden for you?

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II: The _____ of Jesus: John 18:1-9
What began as a burdened heart suddenly becomes bold as Judas approaches in the Garden.

A. the _____ of His boldness: v4
Jesus is all-knowing!

B. the _____ of His boldness: v6
Jesus is all-powerful!

When approached by His enemies in the Garden, Jesus had the power to destroy them with His spoken Word. But instead He willingly submitted to the will of the Father that He should go to the cross in order to die for man's sins.

We can be so thankful for Jesus' boldness! We can be thankful that He was willing to go to the cross, even as an innocent man.

And we can be thankful that even as we face our times of difficulty that through our faith in Him and by His most wonderful grace, we can face our difficulty with boldness, and with confidence... trusting in God's power to give us victory
Hebrews 4:16 - *Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.*