

THE CROSS

NECESSITY, BEAUTY & GLORY



LOVE

GIVING
SOMEONE WHAT IS
BEST FOR THEM

JESUS
LOVES YOU

**But God demonstrates
His own love toward us, in that
while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us.**

ROMANS 5:8

EXAMINE THE CROSS
AS AN OFFERING
OF LOVE

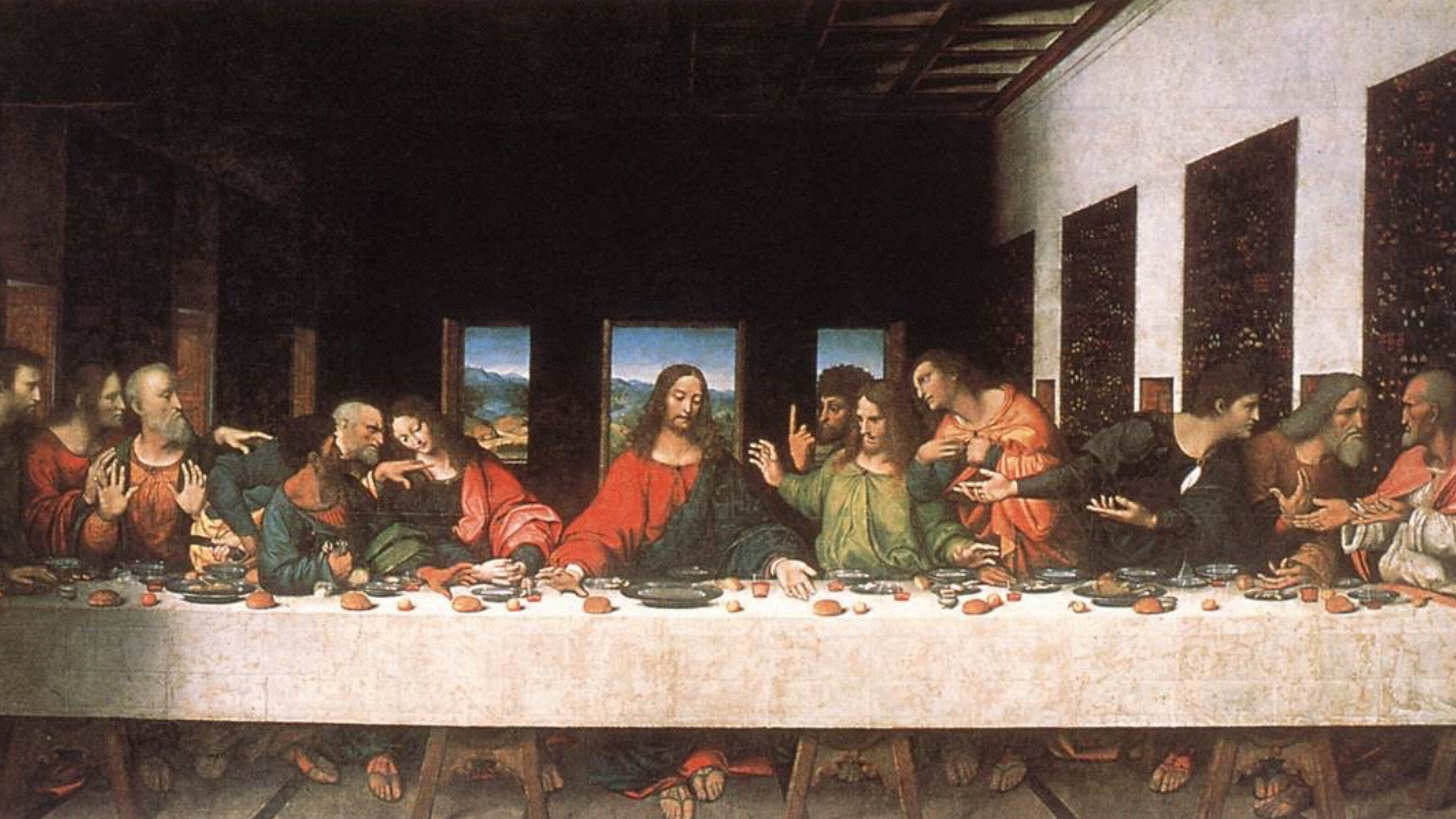
TIMELINE OF EVENTS

JESUS' CONDITION

Approx Time: 7-10pm



THE LAST SUPPER



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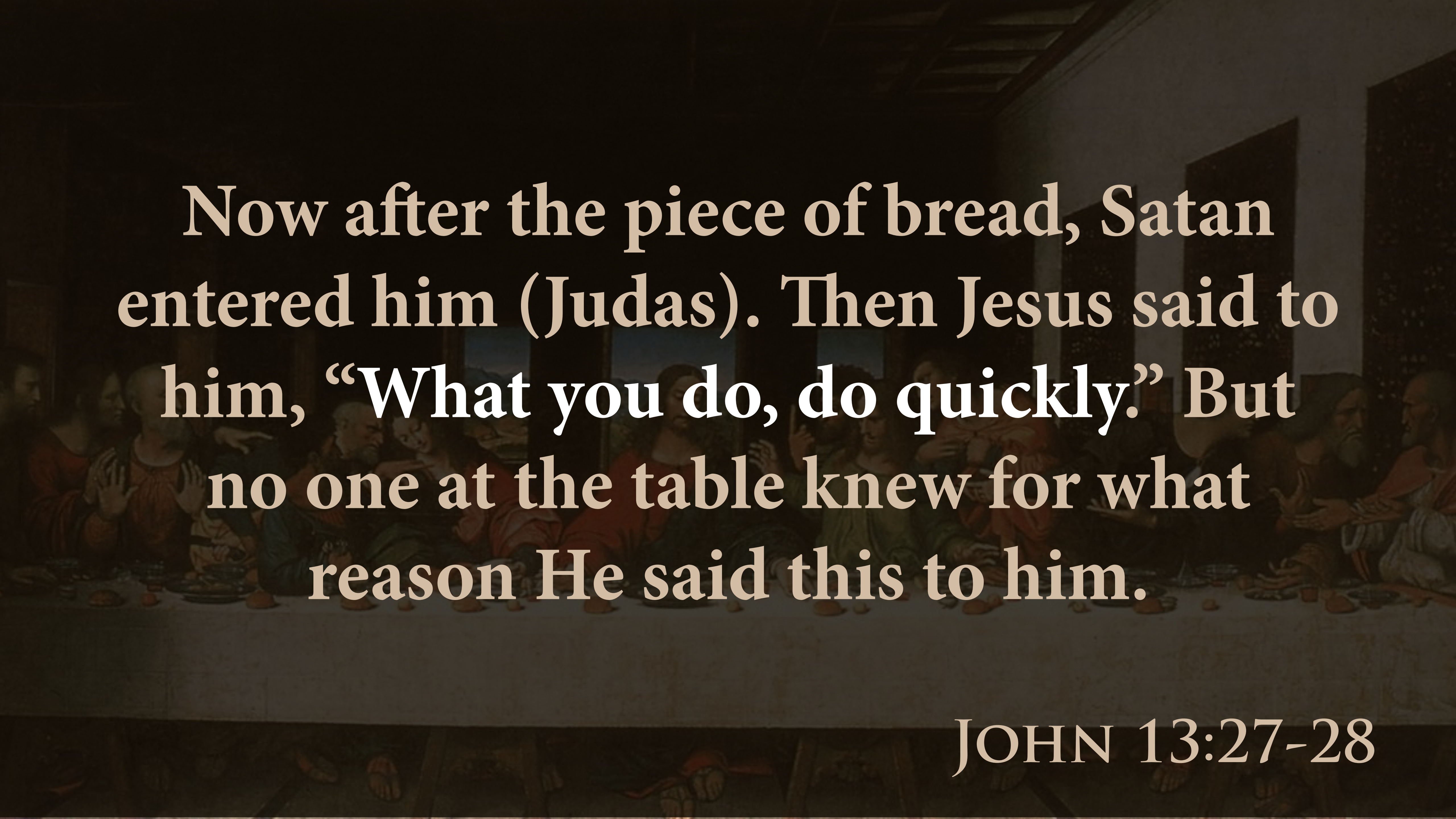
Passover Celebration

New Covenant

Final Gathering
of the Disciples

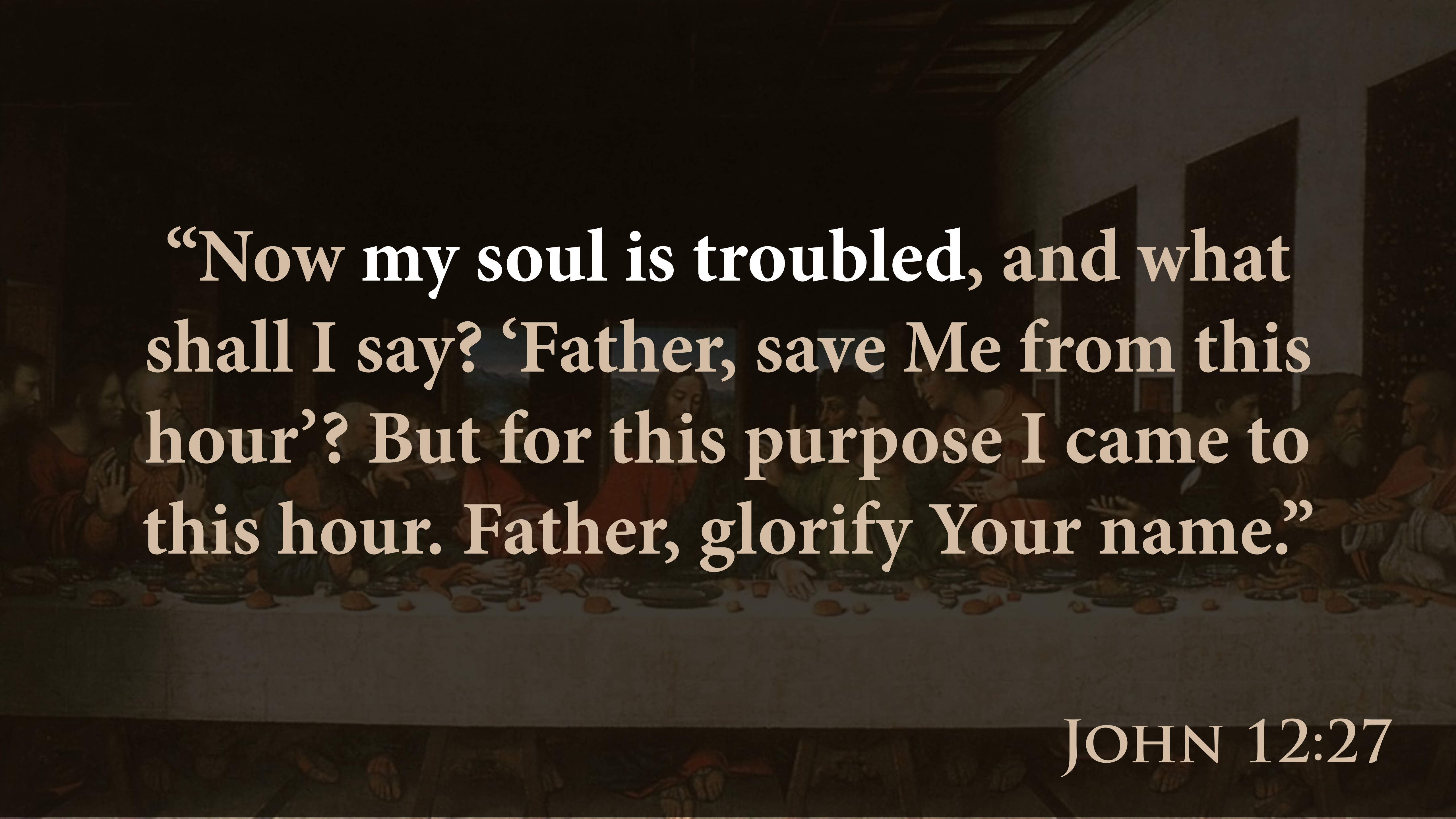
Jesus Rebukes
Peter

Jesus Activates his own betrayal



Now after the piece of bread, Satan entered him (Judas). Then Jesus said to him, “What you do, do quickly.” But no one at the table knew for what reason He said this to him.

JOHN 13:27-28



“Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? ‘Father, save Me from this hour’? But for this purpose I came to this hour. Father, glorify Your name.”

JOHN 12:27

JESUS' CONDITION



HUNGER

INTENSE STRESS

SADNESS

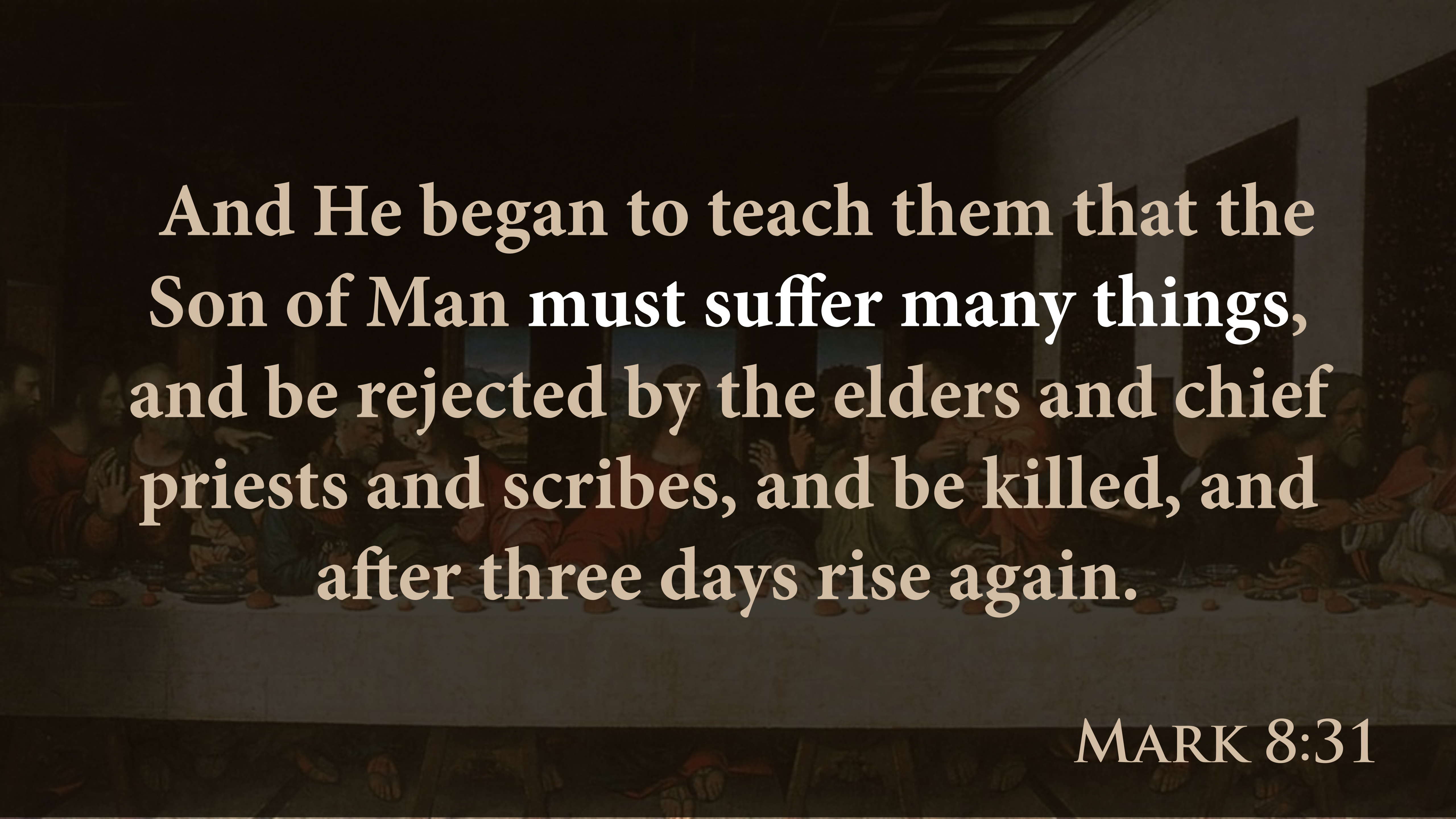
PHYSICAL
WEAKNESS

REJECTION

FIERCE RESOLVE



JESUS' SUFFERING
HAS ALREADY BEGUN



**And He began to teach them that the
Son of Man must suffer many things,
and be rejected by the elders and chief
priests and scribes, and be killed, and
after three days rise again.**

MARK 8:31

A person with long hair, wearing a light-colored shirt, is kneeling in prayer in a dark, wooded area at night. The scene is dimly lit, with a faint light source visible in the background, creating a somber and contemplative atmosphere. The person is positioned in the center-right of the frame, with large tree trunks on either side.

Approx Time: 11pm-1am

GETHSEMANE



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GETHSEMANE

Goes to pray

Brings Peter, James and John

Experiences Intense Agony

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Then He said to them, “My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch with Me.”

MATTHEW 26:36

And being in agony, He prayed more earnestly. Then His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

LUKE 22:44

HEMATIDROSIS

*the capillaries
supplying blood to the
sweat glands break
open and leak blood
into the sweat ducts*



GETHSEMANE CONT'D

Finds the disciples sleeping

Judas Arrives with Roman Soldiers

Heals Malchus' Ear

Gets arrested and abandoned

JESUS' CONDITION

HUNGER

INTENSE STRESS

SADNESS

PHYSICAL
EXHAUSTION

REJECTION

FIERCE RESOLVE

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JESUS' CONDITION

FIERCE RESOLVE

PHYSICAL WEAKNESS BROKEN, BLEEDING SKIN

REJECTION

SOUL AGONY

HUNGER SADNESS

ABANDONMENT

INTENSE STRESS

ABANDONMENT

PHYSICAL ABUSE

THIS IS ONLY THE
BEGINNING

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Approx Time: 1am-5am

NIGHT TRIALS



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Jesus is taken through out Jerusalem

Multiple illegal trials

Accused and interrogated

NIGHT TRIALS

Now the chief priests, the elders, and all the council sought false testimony against Jesus to put Him to death, but found none.

MATTHEW 26:59

NIGHT TRIALS



**“I put You under oath by the living
God: Tell us if You are the Christ, the
Son of God!”**

MATTHEW 26:63

NIGHT TRIALS



“It is as you say”

MATTHEW 26:64

NIGHT TRIALS

Then the high priest tore his clothes,
saying, “He has spoken blasphemy!
What further need do we have of
witnesses? Look, now you have heard
His blasphemy!

MATTHEW 26:65

NIGHT TRIALS



“He is deserving of death!”

MATTHEW 26:65

NIGHT TRIALS

Then they spat in His face and beat Him and others struck Him with the palms of their hands, saying, “Prophecy to us, Christ! Who is the one who struck You?”

MATTHEW 26:67-68

NIGHT TRIALS

Mocked and Beaten

Peter denies Jesus

Judas tries to return the money

Judas hangs himself

JESUS' CONDITION

AFTER GETHSEMANE

PHYSICAL WEAKNESS BROKEN, BLEEDING SKIN

REJECTION SOUL AGONY

HUNGER SADNESS ABANDONMENT

INTENSE STRESS

ABANDONMENT PHYSICAL ABUSE

JESUS' CONDITION

AFTER THE NIGHT TRIALS

SEARING PAIN

POUNGING
HEADACHE

BEATEN

MORE BLEEDING

SPIT UPON

PURPOSEFUL
INJUSTICE

LIKELY
DIZZINESS
OR NAUSEA



THE HIGH PRIESTS
HAVE DECLARED HIM
GUILTY



BUT ONLY ROME CAN
PUNISH HIM

Approx Time: 5am-7am

ROMAN TRIALS



BEFORE PILATE

Jesus is taken to Pontius Pilate

Pilate Acquits Jesus of any Wrong

Sends him to Herod

BEFORE PILATE

So Pilate said to the chief
priests and the crowd, “I find
no fault in this Man.”

LUKE 23:4

BEFORE HEROD

Now when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceedingly glad, for he had desired for a long time to see Him, because he had heard many things about Him, and he hoped to see some miracle done by Him

LUKE 23:8

BEFORE HEROD

Then he questioned Him with many words, but He answered him nothing.

LUKE 23:8

BEFORE HEROD

Jesus is accused and insulted

Herod's men beat him puts a robe on
him, in mockery

Sends him back to Pilate

BEFORE PILATE PT. 2

The crowds have gathered

Pilate is offers the people a choice

Barabbas goes free, Jesus is sentenced

BEFORE PILATE PT. 2

When they had twisted a crown of thorns, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand.

MATTHEW 27:29

BEFORE PILATE PT. 2

And they bowed the knee before Him and mocked Him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” Then they spat on Him, and took the reed and struck Him on the head.

MATTHEW 27:30



BEFORE HE IS
CRUCIFIED

The background image is a dark, atmospheric scene of a Roman courtyard. It features several people in traditional Roman attire, including togas and tunics. In the foreground, a man in a white toga is walking away from the viewer. To the left, a woman in a red dress is seated on a chair. In the background, other figures are visible, some holding staffs or spears. The scene is set within a courtyard with a checkered floor and classical architectural elements like columns and arches. The overall mood is somber and historical.

HE RECEIVES A ROMAN SCOURGING



Approx Time: 7am-8am

THE SCOURGING



THE SCOURGING

Jesus was stripped and tied up

Whipped with “flagrum”

Intended to torture, but not kill

JESUS' CONDITION

AFTER NIGHT TRIALS

MORE BLEEDING

SPIT UPON

BEATEN

PURPOSEFUL
INJUSTICE

POUNGING
HEADACHE

LIKELY DIZZINESS
OR NAUSEA

SEARING PAIN

JESUS' CONDITION

AFTER ROMAN TRIALS

BADLY BEATEN

HEAD PIERCED
WITH THORNS

SEVERE
INJURIES

SEVERE BLOOD
LOSS

SHOCK,
DEHYDRATION,
SLEEP DEPRIVATION

JESUS' CONDITION

AFTER SCOURGING

CRITICAL CONDITION

BACK RIPPED OPEN

HYPOVOLEMIC
SHOCK

INCALCULABLE NERVE
DAMAGE

BEARD RIPPED OUT

UNEATHOMABLE PAIN



NOW HE MUST WALK
TO BE CRUCIFIED



Approx Time: 8am-9am

TO THE CROSS



The background is a dark, sepia-toned illustration of the Stations of the Cross. It depicts Jesus being carried on a cross by Simon of Cyrene. The scene is crowded with people, including soldiers and onlookers. The text is overlaid on this image in a white, serif font.

TO THE CROSS


The crossbeam is tied to Jesus' arms

He falls while carrying it

Simon helps carry it to Golgatha

A dark, sepia-toned illustration of a medieval battle scene. In the center, a wooden cross is being carried by several men. To the left, soldiers in chainmail and helmets are engaged in combat. To the right, a group of people, including a woman in a white dress and a man in a yellow tunic, are looking towards the center. The background is filled with more soldiers and civilians, some on horseback. The overall atmosphere is one of chaos and conflict.

HIS MISSION IS
ALMOST FULFILLED

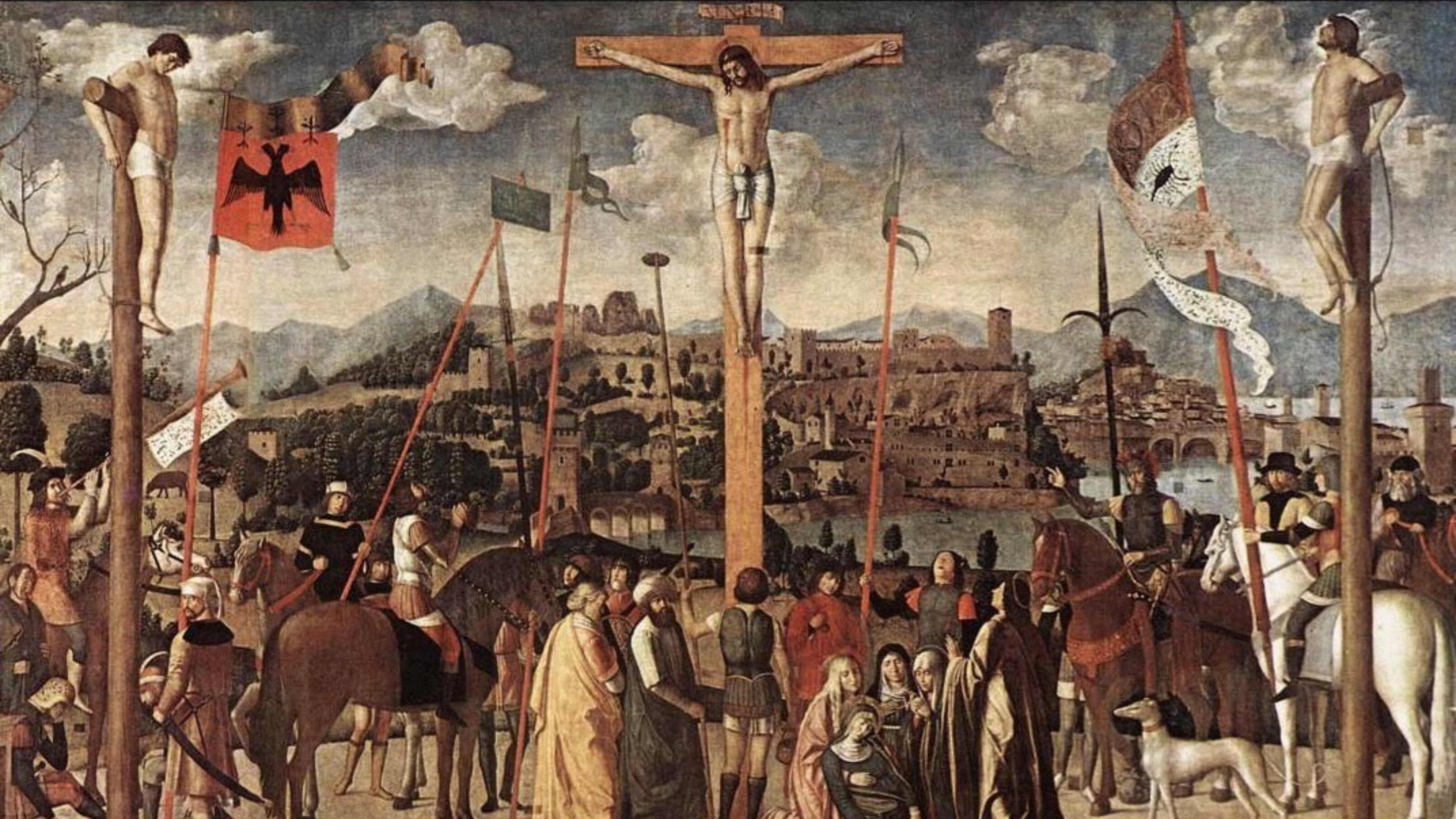
A dark, sepia-toned illustration of a medieval crowd carrying a wooden cross. The scene is filled with people in period clothing, some on horseback and some on foot. The text "BUT NOT YET" is overlaid in white, serif font across the center of the image.

BUT NOT YET



Approx Time: 9am-3pm

THE CRUCIFIXION



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Jesus is stripped again, and thrown down

Wrists and feet were nailed

He hangs on the cross for 6 hours



THE CRUCIFIXION

Jesus speaks 7 statements

He is yet still mocked, offered drink

He dies before sundown, and is taken off
the cross and buried



ON THIS DAY...

**More Biblical prophecies are fulfilled in
this one day than at any other time in
Scripture**



ON THIS DAY...

Thousands of years of promises and
anticipation are fulfilled.



ON THIS DAY...

Death was defeated.



ON THIS DAY...

and

LOVE

was demonstrated.

**But God demonstrates
His own love toward us, in that
while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us.**

ROMANS 5:8

Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

HEBREWS 12:2

The wisdom of God has ordained a way for the love of God to deliver us from the wrath of God without compromising the justice of God.

-JOHN PIPER

THE CROSS

**When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.**

**See from His head,
His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did ever such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

**Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.**

