

CONNECTION:

- Is there a time growing up where you experienced failure (school or activities) and how did that impact you?

REFLECTION:

- This week, as we continue in our Passion series, where have you been reminded of our need for Jesus?

SCRIPTURE:

- Mark 14:26-42

CONVERSATIONS:

- Read Mark 14:26 - 31
 - Has there been a "molten moment" in your life that really impacted your spiritual growth or character growth?
 - Read Proverbs 16:18. How does being cocky or overconfident affect our faith? What are some disciplines we can put into practice to keep ourselves humble?
 - We all like to think that we would never deny Jesus like Peter did, yet we may do so in more subtle ways. What are some ways that we deny or abandon Jesus in our day-to-day life?
- Read Mark 14:32 - 34.
 - If you didn't want to "remain and watch" during a hard time in your life, what do you naturally gravitate towards in order to escape or miss it?
- Read Mark 14:25 - 36
 - Discuss how Jesus models how to pray in our molten moments:
 - 1. Fervent prayer
 - 2. Intimate prayer
 - 3. Bold prayer
 - 4. Clear prayer
 - What are the necessary ingredients in order to be able to submit your will to someone else's will? How does our pride or our fear get in the way of being able to pray a prayer of submission?

- How would you define 'grace'?
 - Jesus always offers us grace when we struggle or fail. When you struggle or fail to be obedient to him, do you find it easy or hard to accept the grace that he offers you?
 - What are the dangers of simply saying "grace will cover me" and not watching or praying when there is a 'molten moment' in your life?

RIDGE CHURCH REMINDERS:

- CITY UNITED | Worship Night Sunday Feb 27th 7pm | Maple Ridge Alliance Church
- AGM | Annual General Meeting after service Sunday Feb 27th

PRAYER:

- PRAY that we would have understanding of the fact that Jesus can identify with our temptations and sufferings.
- PRAY that we would be 'watchful' and responsive to the promptings of the Holy Spirit
- PRAY for the AGM on Feb 27.
- PRAY for the CITY UNITED Worship night and for unity and collaboration amongst the participating churches.