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# "How to Diagnose Overconfidence" (Part 2)

#### **MATTHEW 26:36-46**



"Take my will and make it Thine it shall be no longer mine Take my heart it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne Take my love, my Lord I pour at your feet its treasure store Take myself and I will be ever, only all for thee."

## Stanza From "Take My Life and Let It Be"

#### **KEY POINT**:

#### Overconfidence is not <u>trusting God</u> and the <u>resources</u> He gives us.



# The Put Off The Put On Do not compare yourself Ask for help from others. to others. Do not trust in your Trust in God's provisions. own strength.

I. Do I compare myself to others?

II. Do I trust myself?

III. <u>Am I apathetic</u>?

How to Diagnose Overconfidence



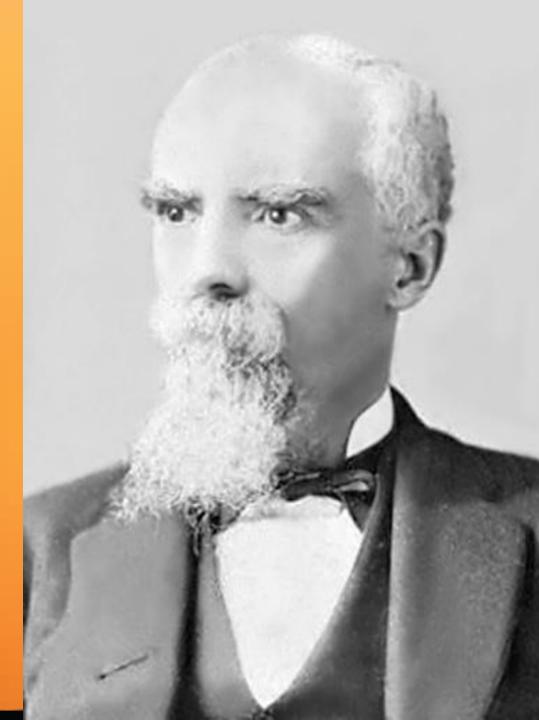


# Garden of Gethsemane



"Not to pray is not only to declare that there is nothing needed, but to admit to a non-realization of that need."

E.M. Bounds, The Weapon of Prayer



praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints,

## **Ephesians 6:18**



 "Sorrowful" - means "painful, leading to great sadness or grief"

2. "Troubled" - means "depressed"

## The Emotional Status of Jesus in the Garden



<sup>10</sup> For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my iniquity, and my bones waste away. <sup>11</sup> Because of all my adversaries I have become a reproach, especially to my neighbors, and an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me.

#### Psalm 31:10-11

 <sup>5</sup> Fear and trembling come upon me, and horror overwhelms me.
<sup>6</sup> And I say, "Oh, that I had wings like a dove! I would fly away and be at rest"





And being in agony he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.





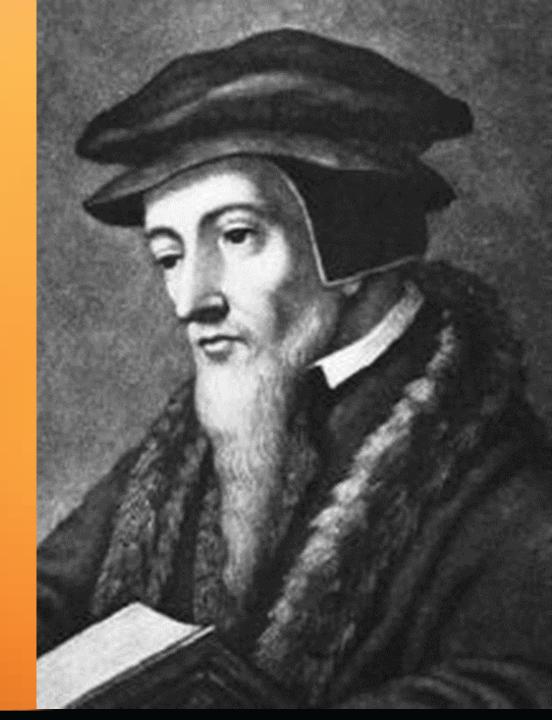
#### And lead **US** not into temptation, but deliver **US** from evil.

#### Matthew 6:13



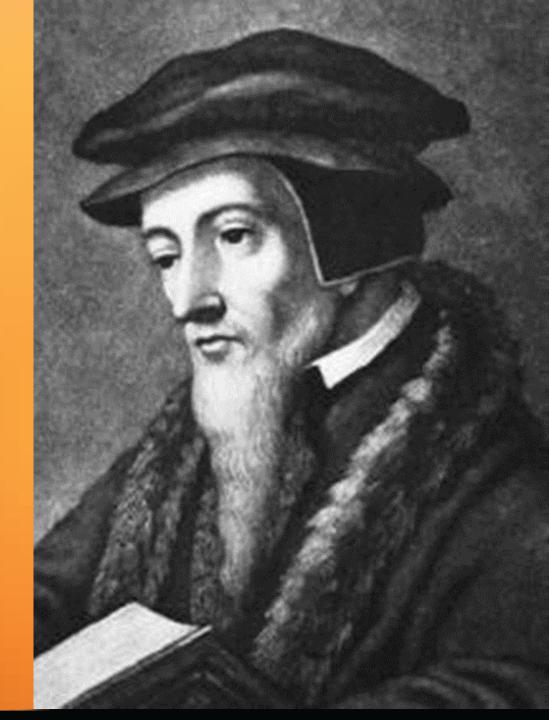
"Our prayer must not be selfcentered. It must arise not only because we feel our own need as a burden which we must lay upon God, but also because we are bound up in love for our fellow men that we ...

**John Calvin** 



"... feel their need as acutely as our own. To make intercession for men is the most powerful and practical way in which we can express our love for them."

## **John Calvin**



#### 1. Or literally "Abba"

 It is the title Jesus taught us to use in prayer (Matthew 6:9).

3. A title that made Jesus equal to the Father

Why Did Jesus Address God as Father?



#### 1. The only time that Jesus was prostrate in the Gospels

#### 2. Communicates being undone; a complete humility

## What Kind of Posture Was Jesus in?



 Jesus was committed to obeying the Father – "…I lay down my life…No one takes it from me…I have authority" (John 10:17-18).

2. An expression of His humanity Was Jesus Asking the Father for Another Way to Obtain Salvation?  Represents judgment (Psalm 11:6; 75:8; Isaiah 51:17, 20-22; Jeremiah 25:15-16; 49:12; Ezekiel 23:33; Revelation 14:10)

2. A combination of a number of dark experiences He was about to experience

What Did the "Cup" Refer to?  <sup>18</sup> A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit.
<sup>19</sup> Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.
<sup>20</sup> Thus you will recognize them by their fruits.

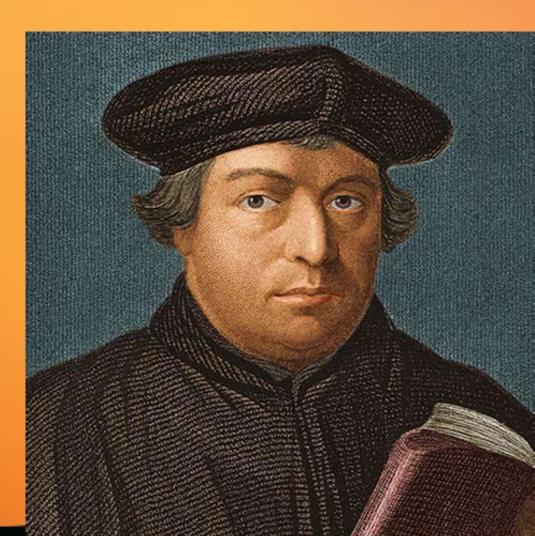
## Matthew 7:18-20



The Put Off	The Put On
Do not compare yourself to others.	Ask for help from others.
Do not trust in your own strength.	Trust in God's provisions.
<u>Do not get too comfortable</u> .	<u>Pray for a softened heart</u> .

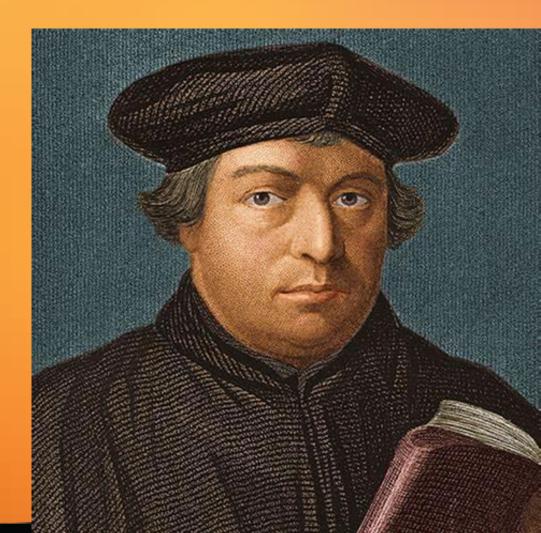
"It is perhaps because you have all ceased praying for me that God has turned away from me .... For the last eight days I have written nothing, nor prayed nor studied; partly from self-indulgence, ...

#### **Martin Luther**



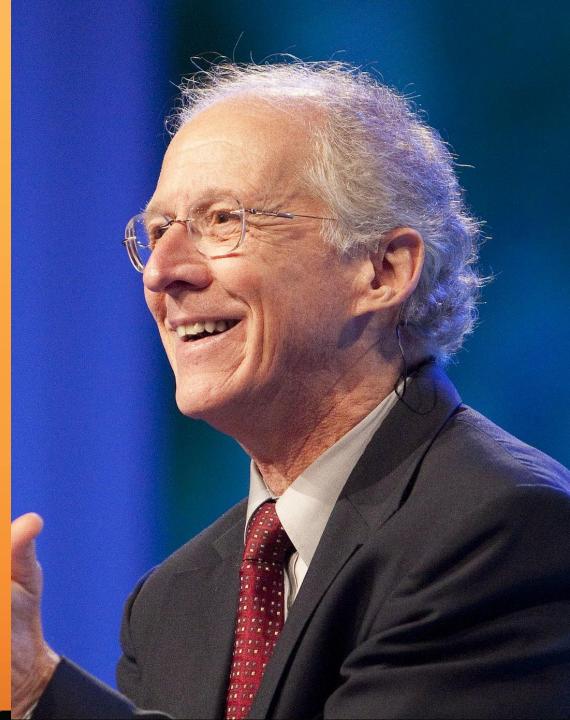
"... partly from another vexatious handicap .... I really cannot stand it any longer .... Pray for me, I beg you, for in my conclusion here I am submerged in sins."

## **Martin Luther**



"Prayer is, therefore, not only the measure of our hearts, revealing what we really desire; it is also the indispensable remedy for our hearts when we do not desire God the way we ought."

John Piper, When I Don't Desire God



#### Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind.



