HELEN SANDERS 8-26-2023 WATCH AND PRAY

When Jesus was in the Garden of Gethsemane, he took with him Peter, James, and John. Like most of us, when we are about to face a great trial, we want someone to pray for us. Jesus went on ahead without them to pray but had asked these three, his closest companions to watch and pray for him.

He came back from praying and they were asleep. He said, "What, could ye not watch with me one hour?" He went back to prayer and came back and once again found them asleep again.

I often wonder about how sad this made the Lord, but he had to go this path alone. No one could help him with what he was about to face.

In the season that I see coming it is imperative that we spend time watching and praying. To hear from God for ourselves, we must be in a continuous watch and pray mode. I can assure you my friends that even in your darkest hours that all may desert you like they did Jesus, but He will not. He will be the one friend that stays with you all the way.

Psalm 121:1 tells us, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

² My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth. ³He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber ⁴ Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep."

God will not fall asleep through your trials. He watches over his word to perform it. Jeremiah 1:2 says (AMP) "Then said the Lord to me, 'You have seen well, for I am alert and active, watching over my word to perform it."

God is our watchman. He watches over us day and night, and watches over his word so it will come to pass, so we should not have any fear. We should always remember that he is with us all the way.