

**Week 2      26 April 2020**  
**LOVE DOES**  
**Resetting The Way We Think**

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**“Not Thy Will” Mark 14:32-42**

**Sermon Outline**

- Life can often overwhelm us with its pain  
(v34)
- As a result – we seek comfort from others  
(v32-33)
- But we also wrestle with God  
(v36a)
- Yet – that is never going to be the right outcome  
(v36b)
- Trusting God the Father with his plan enables us to victoriously overcome  
(v42)



## Small Group Questions / Discussion

Worldly thinking endorses a heaven on earth expectation – we only have one life so it needs to be perfect. However, has Christian thinking lost sight of the importance of the life that is to come? What is the benefit of a reset that accepts that pain is a normal part of our earthly existence?

Jesus sought the comfort of his closest friends when he was struggling. How important is it to have good people around you? Jesus was in great need but the disciples slept. Are our expectations of those around us unrealistic? Social media offers healthy interaction, but do we rely too much on the endorsement of others? What is the benefit of understanding that no human source can meet our deepest needs?

Jesus respectfully approaches his Father. *Nothing is impossible for you – can we do this a different way.* It is right and proper for us to bring our requests to God - but when do we step over the line? Demanding our plans be fulfilled is saying that God's are second rate. What are the consequences of always wresting with God, stating our case over his? What is the benefit of a reset that understands the importance of God's big picture plan – just as Jesus did?

Jesus simply trusted – Can you take this cup from me, but not my will but thine. Such trust reflects a very deep and mature faith. Do you agree and is God's call on our life that simple and straight forward? What reset needs to take place in your mind for you to be that invested in God the Father?

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