John 12:27-33

John 12:27 – "Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour."

- A. Jesus was troubled while heading to His time of death (Mark 14:32-42).
 - 1. We know that if Jesus were afraid of men putting Him to death He would have sinned (Matthew 10:28, Hebrews 13:5-6, I Peter 3:14, and Revelation 2:10).
 - 2. Therefore, since Jesus never sinned (Hebrews 4:14-15, Hebrews 9:28, I Peter 2:21-22, and I John 3:5), we know He did not fear death or the men who were going to kill Him.
 - 3. Moreover, to say that Jesus was carnally afraid is to say that Paul was stronger than our Lord (Acts 21:10-13).
- B. Even though Jesus was in mental anguish, Jesus didn't want to prevent His death (Hebrews 5:7-9).
 - 1. Jesus came into this world with a purpose to save sinners (I Timothy 1:15).
 - 2. Without His blood being shed, that could not be accomplished (**Hebrews 9:11-22** and **Hebrews 10:1-12**).
 - 3. Jesus was mentally prepared for His death (Luke 9:22; 51-53).
 - a. Jesus knew what was beyond the grave (Luke 23:43).
 - b. He knew He would be raised up (Matthew 16:21, Matthew 26:32, and John 2:19-22).
 - c. He knew He'd return to the Father in Heaven (John 7:33-34; cf. John 8:29; 42).

John 12:28-30 – "(28) Father, glorify thy name. Then came there a voice from heaven, saying, I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again. (29) The people therefore, that stood by, and heard it, said that it thundered: others said, An angel spake to him. (30) Jesus answered and said, This voice came not because of me, but for your sakes."

- A. Jesus called upon the Father to glorify His [God the Father] name (John 17:4-5).
 - 1. Jesus worked hard to bring glory to the Father (John 11:1-4, John 13:31-32, and John 17:1).
 - 2. The Father has (**Romans 6:4**) and continues to bring about glory to Himself (**Philippians 1:6-11**).
 - 3. Our lives are supposed to bring glory to God (Matthew 5:14-16 and I Corinthians 10:31).
- B. They heard a voice from above that sounded like thunder (II Samuel 22:14, Job 37:2-5, and Job 40:9).
 - 1. Some thought it was an angel speaking. Though it was not an angel, an angel could have such a voice (**Revelation 18:1-2**).
 - 2. However, it was God the Father speaking for the benefit of the people present (cf. **John 11:39-44**).

John 12:31-33 – "(31) Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. (32) And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. (33) This he said, signifying what death he should die."

- A. The Judgment of the world, which occurred in the 1st century, was in connection with the prince of this world (**John 16:7-11**).
 - 1. It is implied that the prince of this world is Satan (II Corinthians 4:3-4 and Hebrews 2:14).
 - 2. Jesus came, in part, to destroy the works of Satan (I John 3:8).
 - 3. While Satan and his angels once roamed the earth, now he's been bound (Jude 6, II Peter 2:4, and Revelation 20:1-2).
- B. Jesus talked of Himself being lifted up from the earth, which was a reference to His death (John 3:14 and Galatians 3:13).
 - 1. Drawing all men was in reference to Him dying for all men (I Timothy 2:5-6, Titus 2:11, and I John 2:2).
 - 2. This does not mean that all men will choose to come to Christ (**Matthew 7:13-14**).