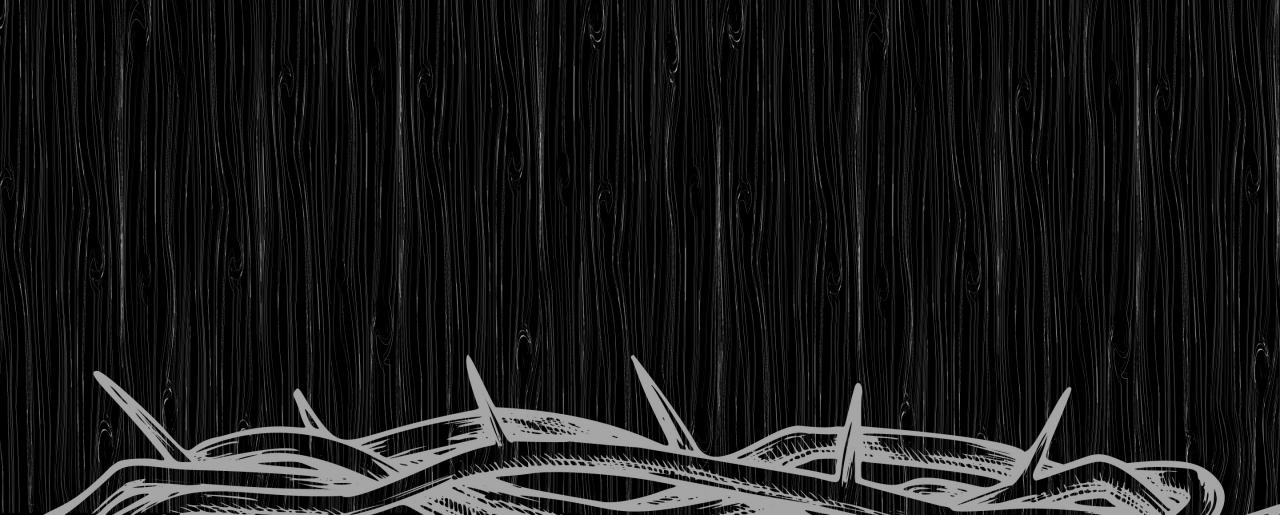






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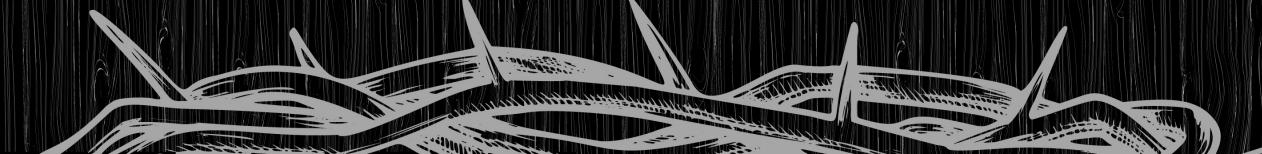


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Matthew 26:36-41

- Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and He said to His disciples, "Sit here, while I go over there and pray."
- ³⁷ And taking with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, He began to be sorrowful and troubled.
- ³⁸Then He said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch with me."



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Greek: pneuma

Definition: wind, spirit, breath

The most frequent meaning in the NT is "spirit" ("Spirit").
Only the context however determines which sense(s) is meant.

It can mean the 'human spirit' that reflects the created dimension of mankind intended to mirror the good image of God.

When the attributive adjective ("holy") is used, it always refers to the Holy Spirit.

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Greek: sarx

flesh, body, human nature, materiality; kindred.

- -it is used positively in relation to intimacy in marriage (Eph 5:31) as well as for the sinless human body of Jesus (Jn 1:14; 1 Jn 4:2,3). Indeed, *flesh* (what is *physical*) is necessary for the body to live *out* the faith the Lord works *in* (Gal 2:20).
- -generally negative, referring to making decisions (actions) according to self; done apart from faith (independent from God's inworking);

by definition displeasing to the Lord – even things that seem "respectable!"; unaided human effort, decisions (actions) that originate from self or are empowered by self.

This is *carnal*, "of the *flesh*" and proceeds out of the *untouched*, unchanged part of us – that which is *not* transformed by God.

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Romans 7:14-15

For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.

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My spirit has been willing, but my flesh has been weak...

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Matthew 26:26-29

²⁶ Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said,

"Take, eat; this is my body."

²⁷ And He took a cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, saying,

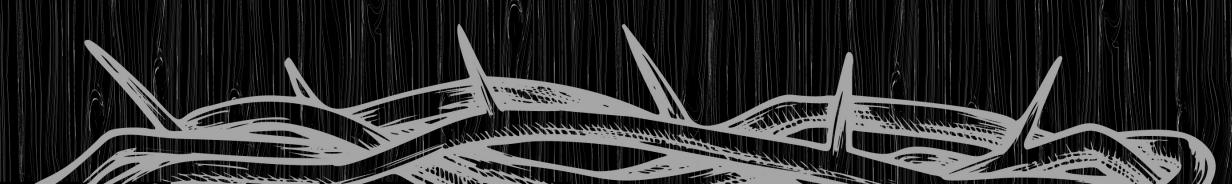
"Drink of it, all of you,

for this is my blood of the covenant,

which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that

day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."



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