Looking Beneath the Surface
Matthew 26:36-46
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“Gospel of Avoidance”

1 Kings 19:3-5, 10

Numbers 20:2-12

They’re not our only example.
Matthew 26:36-46
Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, “Sit here while I go over there and pray.” He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.” Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.” Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. “Couldn’t you men keep watch with me for one hour?” he asked Peter. “Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.” He went away a second time and prayed, “My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done.” When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing. Then he returned to the disciples and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour has come, and the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners. Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!”

It’s not that easy.
“Ignoring any aspect of who we are as men and women made in God’s image always results in destructive consequences – In our relationship with God, others and with ourselves.”

- Pete Scazzero

*What we don't transform, we transmit.*

Pain is the stimulus for us to go beyond the surface of our lives into the deep ache of our souls.

**Awareness – Integration – Community**