**For Reflection:**

Have you ever accepted an invitation to go someplace, and once you arrived, wondered what you had gotten yourself into? This could be said for the disciples as they found themselves with Jesus in Gethsemane. Peter, James, John and the other eight (the twelfth disciple, Judas, had left the party) found themselves in Gethsemane. They were probably just looking forward to having a good ol' time celebrating Passover.

Jesus saw his persecutors approaching and said, "Rise! Let us go!" The disciples may have recalled the first time Jesus called out to them. "Come, follow me," he summoned, as they were minding their own business and working their day jobs (Mk 1:17). Now, here, caught up in the ominous events of this momentous evening, more than one of the disciples may have thought, "What does he mean by 'us'?"

As we continue deeper into this season of Lent, Jesus is calling you to "rise" and "go"? Are you coming along?

**Today's Scripture:**

*Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!*

(Mark 14:42 NIV).

**(More Below)**

**Question to Ponder:**

What brought you to this point in your faith journey? Where has Jesus met you and your needs along the way? At what length will you go to be in communion with God through Christ?

**Prayer:**

Jesus you suffered and sacrificed so much for me. I don't want to suffer, but I have an idea that me without you is the worst suffering of all. I want to follow you. Can you give me your hand? Will I know what it is, when you do? Amen.

**Practice: A Weekend Getaway**

Take a look at the activities/commitments you have coming up this weekend. Does your schedule include time for/with Jesus? What you do is not as important as how aware you are to the person and presence of Jesus (through the power of the Holy Spirit) at work in your dailyness. Look with your physical eyes and intelligent mind for the activity of God. Understand in your heart that dependence on God is the reality, and since God is love, you have nothing to fear. "Watch and pray" Jesus says to his disciples (which includes us).