

# “Jesus in the Garden of Olives”...

## FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO - LUKE -:

“[Jesus] went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and...kneeling, he prayed, saying, ‘Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me; still, not my will but yours be done.’ (Luke 22:39, 41-42)<sup>1</sup>

## MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

Lord, give us the grace to understand Your will, and the strength and courage to do it, since You tell us that “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven” (Matt 7:21).<sup>1</sup> (cf. SLC, p. 253)

## FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- In regards to doing the will of God, St. Josemaría Escrivá says: “We are blocks of stone that can move and feel, that have a perfectly free will. God himself is the stone-cutter who works on us, chipping off the rough edges, shaping us as he desires, with blows of the hammer and chisel. Don't let us try to draw aside, don't let us want to escape his will, for in any case we won't be able to avoid the blows. We will suffer all the more, and uselessly!”

(Josemaría Escrivá, *The Way*, n. 756, in: Josemaría Escrivá: *A Website Dedicated to the Writings of Opus Dei's Founder [1902-1975]*, [https://www.escrivaworks.org/book/the\\_way-point-756.htm](https://www.escrivaworks.org/book/the_way-point-756.htm) [accessed 2 August 2021])

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## FREE AND PERSONAL MEDITATION

( for a personal contribution to give to those who listen ) :

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Then follows ...

- 1 Our Father ...
- 5 Hail Mary ...
- 1 Glory be to the Father ... (Sung)
- Praised be,,,
- O my Jesus, forgive us...
- Mary, Queen of Peace ...
- Then, a quick song relevant to the mystery / or one sings : “ Aveeeee, Aveeeee, Ave Maria ...”