



The Disciples: Disturbed by the Cross  
The Impact of the Cross – Part 2  
Mark 14:27-31, 43-50

Are you discouraged today? Maybe you are troubled about finances, or grief-stricken over the loss of a loved one, or worried about a wayward family member, or tormented by some hurt in your life. If you are distressed today, look to the cross and be consoled. Let's rediscover the elation that the disciples felt once they truly understood the meaning of the cross.

**I. The disciples were \_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus.**

- A. They had been convinced that Jesus was the long-awaited \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. You can be disillusioned with Jesus if you have a \_\_\_\_\_ of what he will do for you.

**II. The disciples were \_\_\_\_\_ by the enemies.**

- A. Jesus had some \_\_\_\_\_ enemies from the very beginning.
- B. It is easy for us to be distraught over the onslaught of \_\_\_\_\_ in the world.

**III. The disciples were \_\_\_\_\_ in themselves.**

- A. When the disciples looked at the cross, they had to feel guilty that they had been so \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. The cross is a \_\_\_\_\_ of our sin.

\*\* Two factors changed the cross from an instrument of distress to one of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ from the grave.
2. The disciple's understanding of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the cross.