

# Times of Solitude for Jesus

(as presented by the Gospel of Luke)

A. Read the following passages:

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| 1. Luke 4:1-13   | Jesus tempted in the wilderness.              |
| 2. Luke 4:42-44  | Jesus went to a lonely place.                 |
| 3. Luke 5:12-16  | Jesus praying in a lonely place.              |
| 4. Luke 6:12-16  | Jesus spent the whole night in prayer.        |
| 5. Luke 9:18-20  | Jesus praying alone.                          |
| 6. Luke 21:34-38 | Jesus spent the night on the Mount of Olives. |
| 7. Luke 22:39-46 | Jesus prays on the Mount of Olives.           |

B. Read the passages prayerfully.

Notice what preceded and what follows this time of solitude for Jesus.

C. Reflect on several questions:

1. What do you suppose prompted Jesus to spend time in solitude?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. What connections do you see between time spent in solitude and the actions that preceded or followed the solitude?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. How would you apply the insights gained from these passages to your own solitude and work?