



Garden of Gethsemane

Handout

Session Theme: God and Conflict

Activity: Mouse Traps

Scripture Story: *Luke 22:39-42; 45-54*

Video Clip: *Gifted Hands:
The Ben Carson Story*

39 Jesus came out from the Passover meal and went, as was his custom during this week, to the Mount of Olives (outside of Jerusalem); and the disciples followed him. 40 When he reached the place, Jesus said to them, "Pray that you may not come into the time of trial."

41 Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, 42 "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done." 45 When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, 46 and Jesus said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial."

47 While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; 48 but Jesus said to him, "Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?" 49 When those who were around Jesus saw what was coming, they asked, "Lord, should we strike with the sword?" 50 Then one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. 51 But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched the servant's ear and healed him.

52 Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, "Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? 53 When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!" 54 Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house.

NOTES

- Ben from the movie does the right thing in asking for God's help with conflict and anger. Jesus does this even better than Ben by praying and asking for God's help BEFORE the situation happens.
- The more we talk to God about the things that make us angry and the more we talk and listen to God about what God calls us to do, the less likely it is that we'll be participants in the conflict. *Instead, we'll be more like Jesus and bring healing to the situation.*