SERMON SERIES: EMPTY SPEAKER: RYAN LINGBLOOM

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#### Sermon title:

"Scattered."

#### Introduction

We are in our Empty series currently, and last week we talked about how Jesus gathered with people. We talked a bit about the importance of communion and what it meant for us. This week, we are talking about Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane. Just like Jesus emptied himself to do God's will, God is calling us to do the same.

- What sort of things make you feel drained/emptied? (Long workdays, not sleeping well, etc.)
- What sort of things make you feel filled up? (Time with friends, good music,

### **Seek the Word**

Read Mark 14:32-42.

- What does verse 36 tell us about the character of Jesus?
- What does verse 38 tell us about the nature of man and sin?
- How does Jesus respond when he sees the disciples sleeping? What does this tell us about the priorities of Jesus?
- Why does Jesus instruct the disciples to pray?

## **Go Deeper**

Jesus prays a few other times in Scripture outside of our passage for the week. Using either a concordance, the Blue Letter Bible app, or another tool look into the various prayers of Jesus. Answer some questions about his prayers. Do they have anything in common? What sort of things does he pray for? What are the contexts of his prayers?

### Talk About It

- Jesus allows his agony to draw him closer to God. Is it hard to do that in your own life? Why or why not?
- What does your prayer life look like right now? How can you grow in your prayer life?
- When you are in a trial or struggle, do you have people you feel comfortable reaching out to? Who are they?
  - o If you do not have anyone, how can you find those people?
- In what areas of your life can you grow in your submission to Christ's leading? How can you do that?

# Wrap Up

Reminder: When you know God's will, are you willing to do God's will?

*Challenge:* This week, time in prayer asking God to reveal His will for you life. Pick one specific area of your life and pray for God to reveal to you what His desire is for you in that area. Then, pray that God will give you the strength to do His will. Pray this way for seven days in a row.