



# **WHY DO PEOPLE SUFFER?**

**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

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***Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem...***

*- Luke 9:51*



How it  
Began...

SAVE

THE Current Situation...

What has been done...

Greet

In our lives +  
life is here. It is a  
our journey towards  
world. I believe this  
being + being here  
Along my path I

What needs to be  
done now.

Bill's lesson...

**A LETTER HOME FROM KAYLA JEAN MUELLER,  
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA, HELD IN ISIS DETENTION  
AND RECENTLY KILLED.**

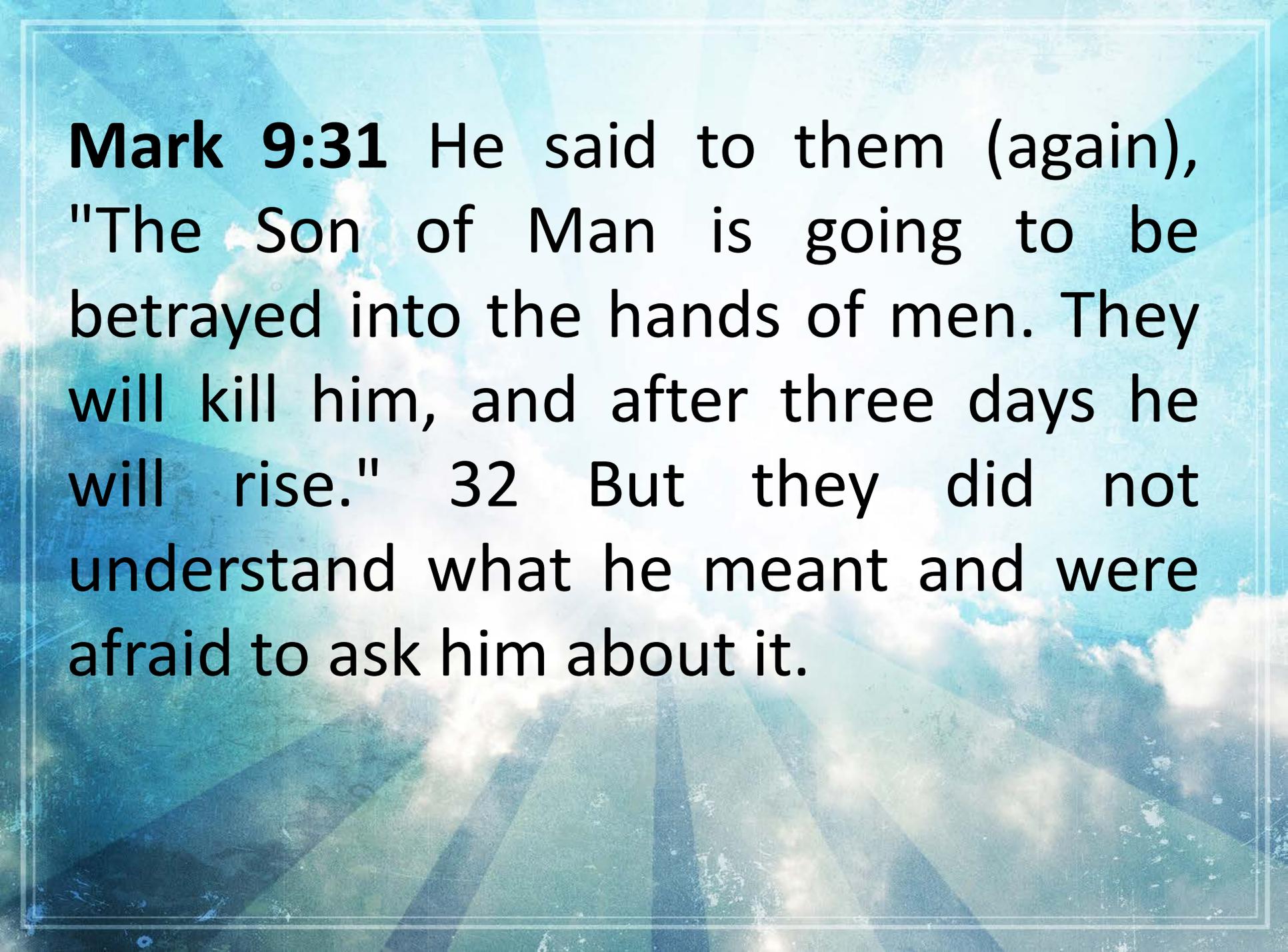
*“The thought of your pain is the source of my own, simultaneously the hope of our reunion is the source of my strength. Please be patient, give your pain to God I know you would want me to remain strong. That is exactly what I am doing. Do not fear for me, continue to pray as will I + by God’s will we will be together soon. All my love, everything, Kayla”*

# 1. WHY?

**John 16:33** Jesus said, "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

## 2. GOD AT WORK

**Mark 8:31** Jesus then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. 32 He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.



**Mark 9:31** He said to them (again),  
"The Son of Man is going to be  
betrayed into the hands of men. They  
will kill him, and after three days he  
will rise." 32 But they did not  
understand what he meant and were  
afraid to ask him about it.

**Mark 10:32** Again he took the Twelve aside and told them what was going to happen to him. 33 "We are going up to Jerusalem," he said, "and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death and will hand him over to the Gentiles, 34 who will mock him and spit on him, flog him and kill him. Three days later he will rise."

### 3. HUMAN COOPERATION

**Mark 8:34** Then Jesus called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 35 For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it. 36 What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul? 37 Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul? 38 If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels."

## 4. DEEP WISDOM

**Mark 8:32** Peter took him aside and began to rebuke Jesus. But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" he said. "You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but the concerns of men."

## 5. THE ONLY REALISTIC HOPE FOR THE WORLD

**ESPECIFICALLY:**

**SUFFERING LOVE IN REDEMPTIVE FAITH, HOPE  
AND LOVE.**

**Mark 9:23** "'If you can'?" said Jesus. "Everything is possible for him who believes."