



**The tear-shaped church of
Dominus Flevit** (*"Jesus Wept"*)
on the Mount of Olives overlooking Jerusalem
Altar panel depicting Luke 13:34

This Lent, and again & again, prayerfully consider these questions:

► **Of God's calling:**

- The way of discipleship may be "a steep and rugged pathway" at times, and not the bed of roses we would prefer, but will you tread it willingly and, whenever you can, "rejoicingly"?

(See Hymn: "Father hear the prayer we offer")

► **Of our need for repentance:**

- Will we be like the majority in Jesus' day, and those in earlier generations, who persist in rebelling against God, or will you welcome God's loving embrace "as a hen gathers her brood under her wings"?

► **And of our need for compassion in our dealings with others:**

- What do we learn from Jesus weeping tears of love for those set against him, and against his heavenly Father? For even to the cross and on the cross, there was - and is - only ever one message: "Father forgive".