

The Heart of the Matter

14. Have you ever been overzealous for Christ to such an extent that in effect you had cut someone's ear off? What happened?

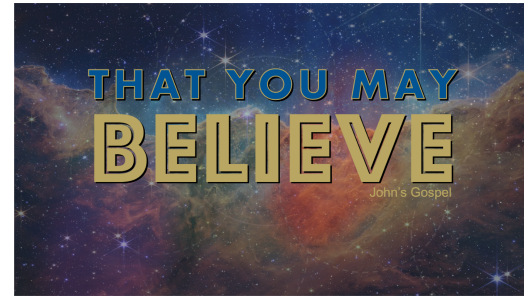
15. How does Jesus' determination to "drink the cup" in verse 11 help you in your walk with Christ?

16. What cup do you need to drink right now?

17. How does Peter's failure both humble and encourage you?

18. What is the biggest lesson for you in light of Judas' betrayal and Peter's denial?

Praises and Prayer Requests:



Life Group Study Guide

Finishing Well John 18:1-27 For the Week of March 17, 2024

Getting Started

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling?
2. How do you prepare yourself when you know there is a stressful time coming your way?
3. As a child, what was the one "big" thing you did that afterward you thought you had let everyone down?

Digging Deeper

4. Why do the Pharisees want to take advantage of the night to arrest Jesus? (3:19-20; 12:35; 13:30)

5. What do you think was going through the mind of the disciples as they saw these menacing-looking people coming?

6. Jesus used many “I am” statements (“I am”...vine, light, bread). How would you explain Jesus’ words in verse 6?

7. After seeing how Jesus deals with the soldiers in verses 4 and 8 and with Peter in verse 11, what can we learn about Jesus?

8. How does Peter show he still doesn’t grasp what is going on in verse 10?

9. What is the cup which Jesus must drink and how does this cup relate to the cup that is found in Matthew 20:22-23; 26:39-42; Mark 14:35-39; and Luke 22:40-43?

10. What is the irony of the mob’s desire to bind Jesus in verse 12?

11. What do you think Peter and the other disciple hoped to accomplish by observing portions of Jesus’ trial?

12. What is ironic about the high priest’s questioning of Jesus in verse 20?

13. What do you think ran through Peter’s mind when he heard the cock crow in verse 27? (John 13:36-38)