

**The Gospel According to John:
The Passion of the Christ**
Lesson 26: Judas Betrays Jesus & Peter Denies Jesus
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Background

Having finished his discourse with the disciples and concluded his prayer, Jesus walks to Gethsemane.

Judas Betrays Jesus & Peter Denies Jesus (John 18:1-27)

► Explore It

1. Where did Jesus and His disciples go when Jesus had finished praying? (18:1)
- * 2. How did people react when Jesus identified Himself? (18:4-7)
3. Why did Jesus tell the soldiers to release His disciples? (18:8-9)
4. How did Peter respond to the threat to Jesus? (18:10-11)
5. What did the soldiers and Jewish officials do to Jesus? (18:12)
- * 6. To whom was Jesus taken first? (18:13)
- * 7. About what had Caiaphas advised the Jews? (18:14)
- * 8. How did Peter get into the courtyard? (18:15-16)
- * 9. How did Peter reply to the question about his association with Jesus? (18:17)
10. Why was Peter standing around with the servants and officials? (18:18)
11. About what did the high priest question Jesus? (18:19)
12. In what way did Jesus say that He had always spoken? (18:20)
13. Why did Jesus advise the high priest to ask those who heard Him? (18:21)
- * 14. Why did one of the officials strike Jesus & what was Jesus' response? (18:22-23)
15. To whom did Annas send Jesus? (18:24)
16. What was Peter doing? (18:25)
- * 17. How did Peter respond to the question about his association with Jesus? (18:25)
18. What did the people around the fire believe to be true about Peter? (18:25-26)
19. What did the high priest's servant ask Peter? (18:26)
20. How did Peter respond to the question asked by the high priest's servant? (18:26-27)
- * 21. What happened the moment Peter denied knowing Christ a third time? (18:27)

► Get It

- * 22. How is Jesus' response to His betrayal an example for us to follow?
23. When have you felt as if you were being interrogated because of your faith?
24. When is it hardest for you to openly acknowledge your relationship with Christ?

► Apply It

25. What should you change so that you don't betray Jesus with your words or deeds?
 - * 26. Following Jesus' example, how will you respond when you are wrongly mistreated?
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Related Questions

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| * What was ironic about Caiaphas' remarks? (v.14) | * Was Peter foolish or brave? (v.10) |
| * Was Annas or Caiaphas the high priest? (v.13,24) | * Compare the betrayal with the denial. |

Note: Study guides for this series of lessons are available on the Internet at www.howellfamily.us/john.htm