

**IMPACT BIBLE STUDY
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

“THE AGONY, BETRAYAL AND TRIAL BEFORE THE JEWS”

Day 1 – Read Matthew 26:36–75, Mark 14:32-72 and Luke 22:39-71

1. What application for your life did you find in last week’s lesson?

2. What strikes you as being one of the most significant statements of Jesus in the Scripture reading today? Please share why.

Day 2 – “Gethsemane” – Review Matthew 26:36-46 (Mark 14:32-42; Luke 22:39-46)

3. In Gethsemane, what was Jesus’
 - a. personal suffering?
 - b. prayer of supplication?
 - c. poor support?
 - d. purposeful submission?

4. What else do we learn about Christ’s agony in Luke 22:43-44?

5. a. We have often heard Jesus’ statement, “The spirit is willing, but the body (flesh) is weak.” What does this mean to you?

b. How do you think one could become stronger? (use Scripture if possible)

6. Luke 22:45 says the disciples (Peter, James and John) were sleeping, exhausted from sorrow. What is your response to an emotionally exhausting day?

Day 3 – “Betrayal” – Review Matthew 26:47-56 (Mark 14:43-52; Luke 22:47-53)

7. What was the sign of betrayal?

8. a. How did one of Jesus’ companions try to defend Him?

b. What do we learn in John 18:10?

c. What did Jesus do in Luke 22:51?

9. What did Jesus say about the sword in Matthew 26:52?

10. Jesus chastised their cowardice for arresting Him at night. What unusual thing happened in Mark 14:51-52 when the followers fled?

11. Jesus’ trial before the Jewish leaders took place in three phases. From these Scriptures in John . . .

a. Before whom did the first phase take place? (John 18:13)

b. How was Jesus mistreated? (John 18:22)

c. To who was He sent for the second phase of His trial? (John 18:24)

Day 4 – “Before Caiaphas” – Review Mark 14:53-65 (Matthew 26:57-68; Luke 22:63-71)

12. Peter regained enough courage to do what?

13. a. What problem faced the Sanhedrin in Mark 14:55?

b. What was the problem with the false witnesses?

c. Why was it a problem according to Deuteronomy 17:6?

14. a. Jesus was silent. In your opinion, what situations are best handled by silence?

b. When do you think it is best to speak?

15. To the direct question, “Are you the Christ/Messiah?” Jesus replied,
“_____.”

16. According to Mark 14:65, what abuse did Jesus then suffer?

Day 5 – “Peter’s Denial” – Review Luke 22:54-62 (Matthew 26:69-75; Mark 14:66-72)

17. a. In today’s reading, how do you see the fear of man sweep over Peter?

- b. Share a time when you've experienced that same type of fear.
18. What triggered Peter's memory of the Lord's words?
19. a. How did Peter react?
- b. What discovery do you think Peter made about himself?
- c. What is the comfort found in Psalm 103:14?
20. Do you think failure eliminates one from further service for God? Why or why not?
21. From your previous Bible knowledge, share a Scripture of reassurance that would help someone overcome a feeling of failure.