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session 10

INNOCENT YET ACCUSED

as you go

These are simple questions to ask your student as you go home from church or go about your weekly activities.

- .01** Do you enjoy being part of a crowd or being in crowded places? Why or why not?
- .02** Why is it sometimes easier to just go along with the crowd than to make our own decisions?

family DEVOTION

Consider following up with your student later in the week with the following summary and discussion questions.

summary: JOHN 18:28-40

The Jewish leaders led Jesus from one official to another, finally bringing Him to the headquarters of Pontius Pilate, the Roman governor of Judea. Pilate had questions for both them and for Jesus, and none of the answers seemed to satisfy him. This seemed like a matter of Jewish internal affairs, and he didn't want to get involved. He attempted to resolve the matter by giving the crowd a choice: he would release one prisoner to them of their choice. If he could pardon Jesus this way, the whole matter could be settled. However, the crowds told him to instead release Barabbas, a rebel who had been arrested for murder and theft.

discussion QUESTIONS

- .01** Why would the crowds choose Barabbas, who was a revolutionary and potentially a political extremist, instead of Jesus?
- .02** How can Jesus's experience help you when life feels uncertain or unfair? How can you pray at times like this?

PRAY: These can be difficult and painful passages to read. Pray that the Spirit would be with you and help you to learn God's truth through studying these chapters about Jesus's final days leading up to His death, and thank Him for what He is teaching you.

memorize: JOHN 18:36CENTRAL
truth

Jesus was innocent yet accused so that the guilty could be free.

LEADER
challenge

Challenge your student to use the Daily Devotions provided in their *Daily Discipleship Guide* to study God's Word this week. These are the passages covered in this week's devotions.

DAY 1 JOHN 18:12-18

DAY 2 JOHN 18:19-27

DAY 3 JOHN 18:28-40

DAY 4 JOHN 19:1-8

DAY 5 JOHN 19:9-16

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