



Title: Simply Jesus: Denials and Questions.

Scripture: John 18:13-27

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Bible Version: NKJV

BOTTOM LINE: Regardless of the bad decisions we have made or will make, we have to remember that there is always hope through the Gospel.

Vs. 13

They led Him away: With His hands bound, they led Jesus away. Perhaps for those who bound Jesus, this was a bit of triumph. They hurried Jesus away to the judges to be condemned.

They hurried him away with violence, as if he had been the worst and vilest of malefactors. - Matthew Henry

Annas first: Annas was the father in law of Caiaphas. It is believed that this was the first stop for this group so that they could refresh and as a favor to Annas from Caiaphas; A first look at the prey (as Matthew Henry states).

Vs. 14

One man should die for the people: John reveals this same statement from Caiaphas first appears to us in John 11:50. Caiaphas was the high priest.

Vs. 15

Simon Peter followed Jesus: Simon Peter followed Jesus, but at a distance. Now we should recall that Peter said he would follow Christ at any cost. Here we will see how far he was willing to follow Jesus.

We must take heed of tempting God by running upon difficulties beyond our strength- Matthew Henry

So did another disciple: Many scholars believe that this other disciple was none other than John. Regardless of it this other disciple was John or not, he gave Peter an opportunity to be closer to Christ.

Vs. 16

Peter stood at the door outside: Peter was waiting for this other disciple to afford him an opportunity to get closer to Jesus.

Vs. 17

The servant girl who kept the door said to Peter: Getting closer to Christ came at a price. Peter was asked if he was a disciple. His answer was in the negative.

Instead of being loyal to Jesus, he denied being His disciple. -Guzik

Vs. 18

For it was cold: John notes this small detail. It was night time, and it was cold.

And Peter stood with them: After Peter's first denial, he quickly associates himself with them. He warmed himself and stood with them.

You are one decision away from ruining your life. Live your life in such a way that it brings honor and glory to the Lord.

Vs. 19

Asked Jesus about His disciples and His doctrine: Notice the question was about HIS disciples and HIS doctrine.

Disciples- The charge of sedition or troublemaking; a threat to the Roman government.

Doctrine- The charge of heresy. Jesus would have to answer to the Law and the religious leaders.

Vs. 20

I spoke openly to the world: Jesus states that He spoke openly to the world, withholding nothing

Jesus did not have to be ashamed for anything He ever said or did.

Vs. 21

Why do you ask Me?: Jesus was not being difficult, He was simply asserting His legal right. After all, was He was not in the midst of a trial?

They know what I said: Jesus was confident that others would testify of what Jesus said.

Vs. 22

One of the officers who stood by struck Jesus: His name was not recorded but his deed was

Vs. 23

Why do you strike Me?: Jesus asks the question. Notice that Jesus tried to reason with him, but He did not threaten him.

Vs. 24

Sent Him bound to Caiaphas: Annas had enough and decided to send Jesus along to a more official trial.

Vs. 25

Peter stood and warmed himself: Peter wanted to stay close to Jesus but not close enough to be noticed.

He denied it and said, I am not: He answered a second time in the negative.

Vs. 26

Did I not see you in the garden with Him: Peter was noticed and for a third time was asked about his association with Jesus

Vs. 27

Peter then denied again: For a third time Peter denied any association with Jesus.



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3D Guide

DO.

BOTTOM LINE: Regardless of the bad decisions we have made or will make, we have to remember that there is always hope through the Gospel.



1. What does this study reveal to you about God?
2. What does this study reveal to you about yourself?
3. Based on this, what changes do you need to make?
4. What is your prayer for today?



DISCUSS.

1. Looking at Annas, do you think that he was questioning Jesus to discover if He was guilty or not, or do you think he was asking questions to justify his potential pre-determined position?
2. What do you think Peter was thinking and feeling as he was following the action?
3. How you think he felt on his third denial of Christ?
4. What are ways that we deny following Christ in areas of our lives?

DO.



Anytime you read God's word you have to put things into perspective. You also have to realize that the terms, not words, have meanings. As a group re-read the scriptures that was studied. Try a the Amplified Version and compare that to the NJKV, NIV, ESV, or NASB. Pick a few words and have a group member look that word up on blueletterbible.com or with their app.

Parents & Kids

TAKE **HOME**

DATE: November 19th, 2017

Scripture: Psalms of David

Psalms 100:1-5

Take Home Questions:

1. What was David's job? (Shepherd)
2. Besides being a shepherd, what else did David do? (He wrote songs)
3. Read Psalm 100:1-5 together. No matter what David was facing, we read his outpouring of gratitude to God in this Psalm. What are some things you are grateful to God for?

Memory Verse: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds. Psalm 9:1

