

# Sermon Guide



## “The Trials of Jesus”

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”<sup>62</sup> And the high priest stood up and said, “Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?”<sup>63</sup> But Jesus remained silent. And the high priest said to him, “I adjure you by the living God, tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God.”<sup>64</sup> Jesus said to him, “You have said so...”

**Matthew 26: 62-64; Matthew 27**

- 1. Greg said that the gospels are not biographies. Each gospel writer shapes their narrative to communicate specific truth to a particular demographic. That informs how we think about “discrepancies” in the gospels.** Have you ever noticed discrepancies in the gospel accounts? How might Greg’s words inform your view of those?
- 2. Jesus offered the final sacrifice for sin so that we do not have to offer another sacrifice.** When you recognize sin in your life, do you rest in that truth, or do you find yourself trying to appease God in some way? Why or why not?
- 3. Greg reminded us that we are “children of Abraham” not by birth but by faith. Jesus fulfilled Judaism, providing a “true and better” covenant.** Think back to the sermon. Greg shared several ways Jesus fulfilled the requirements of Judaism. What are some examples?

Follow-up question: of the examples shared, which do you feel most thankful for and why?

**We often talk about taking your next step of faith with Jesus.** As you reflect on this week's teaching, what is the next step of faith you'll commit to?