

Discussion Questions Mark 14:53-72

Mark 14:53-65 – It was the middle of the night, and they were ready to try Jesus. This was definitely a conspiracy. It was the Passover so the religious leaders would have been in the area. Mark implicates not just Judas, but all the leaders of Jewish faith in this moment.

Have you ever been falsely accused of something? How do you respond? How could God work in your life through the false accusations of others?

Jesus does not answer their accusations. There is an attempt misinterpret some of the things he said.

Why do you think Jesus answers the question of the high priest? He says, “I am.” Why is this important?

People in his day hated Jesus, and they still dislike his message today. Why do you think that is?

Mark 14:66-72 – Peter denies Jesus three times. Read through the passage and note who challenges Peter here.

Compare and contrast the people challenging Peter with the people challenging Jesus. Later in his life Peter is much braver, what makes the difference?

How would you feel if you had been Peter here? What would it take for you to come back from those denials?

Take minute to look over at John 21:15-25. Many think Jesus asks Peter three times here because of Peter’s denials. How would you feel if you had been Peter in this moment?