



## **The Betrayal, The Arrest, The Denial**

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**John 18**

- I. We are GUILTY; God offers GRACE**
  - a. John 18:1-3
- II. We REBEL; God remains RESOLUTE**
  - a. John 18:4-11
- III. We are CONCERNED WITH COST; Jesus PAID THE PRICE**
  - a. John 18:17-18; 25-27

### **Home/Group Study**

“The vulnerable man standing before you in the garden, glimpsed in the flickering torchlight, is the one who from all eternity was equal with the father. He is the I AM, the bread of life, the light of the world, the resurrection and the life, the way the truth and the life.” -N.T. Wright

1. Betrayal is heart wrenching. Betrayal by someone you are close to is a dagger to the heart. Where have you experienced this type of betrayal in your life both with God and with others? Have you gotten to a place of forgiveness and restoration? Where is there work to be done?
2. In what ways are you and I like Judas and Peter in this passage? How does God offer grace and mercy to both of them?
3. What are the areas in your life you've rebelled against Jesus? How has His unconditional and resolute love transformed that?
4. How is the 'whom are you looking for' question the most important question you will ever answer? Why? (v.4 & v.7 NRSV) What are some alternative questions that you and I often define ourselves by?
5. Peter is later restored by Jesus (John 21), while Judas wallows in his sin until his death (Matthew 27). In what ways do we let our failures define us? Where do you need to seek restoration this week?