

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School—an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are continuing a series of studies on The Gospel of Mark. Today's topic: THE ARREST AND TRIAL OF JESUS.

**1. Different attitudes toward Jesus**

- a) The religious leaders – Mark 14:1-2
- b) A woman at Simon's house – Mark 14:3-9
- c) Judas – Mark 14:10-11
- d) How can we avoid hardening our hearts against Jesus but rather have an open, receptive heart?

**2. Celebrating Passover/the Lord's Supper**

- a) Mark 14:12-21 What impresses you about this story surrounding Passover?
- b) Mark 14:22-26 What special service did Jesus introduce during the Passover meal?
- c) What special revelation was given by Jesus to the apostle Paul regarding this service? 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
- d) What has been your experience celebrating the Lord's Supper? Share a time that was particularly meaningful for you.
- e) How would you respond to a friend who says, "I'm not worthy to participate in the Lord's Supper"?

**3. Jesus predicts His disciples will abandon Him**

- a) Mark 14:27-28 What important truth did Jesus include in His prophecy about being abandoned?
- b) Mark 14:29-31 What are your thoughts about the interaction between Peter and Jesus?

- c) How can we avoid dangerous self-confidence?

**4. Events in Gethsemane**

- a) Mark 14:32-42 Why did Jesus choose Gethsemane as a place to pray? (Luke 22:39)
- b) What lessons can we learn from this story?
- c) Mark 14:43-50 What impresses you about the arrest of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane? (See also John 18:1-6)
- d) Mark 14:51-52 Why is this unusual detail included in the story of the arrest of Jesus?

**5. Before the Sanhedrin**

- a) Mark 14:53-64 What impresses you about the examination of Jesus before the Sanhedrin?
- b) What are your thoughts about the conduct of the religious leaders described in Mark 14:65?

**6. Peter's denial of Jesus**

- a) Mark 14:66-72a What lessons can we learn from Peter's experience in the courtyard of the High Priest?
- b) How did Peter respond after his denial of Jesus? Mark 14:72b Why didn't Peter hang himself, like Judas? (Matthew 27:5)
- c) Share a time when you denied Jesus and abandoned Him. How did the Holy Spirit convict you of your need to repent and return to Jesus?

