LESSON 66

- 1. Why did the Jewish leaders not want to arrest Jesus during the feast of the Passover?
- -Because they were afraid that if they arrested Jesus during the feast of the Passover, the people would respond with violence.
- 2. Did Judas know that he was born into sin, and that he needed Jesus as his Savior?
 -No.
- 3. Who led Judas to betray Jesus?
- -Satan.
- 4. Why did Satan want Judas to betray Jesus?
- -Because Satan hates Jesus.
- 5. Why does Satan hate Jesus?
- -Because Jesus is God.
- -Because Jesus speaks the truth.
- 6. Why did Satan want the Jewish leaders to kill Jesus?
- -Satan wanted the Jewish leaders to kill Jesus so that Jesus would not save us.
- -Satan wanted the Jewish leaders to kill Jesus so that Jesus would not destroy the power of sin and death.
- -Satan wanted the Jewish leaders to kill Jesus so that Jesus would not destroy the power of Satan.

- 7. Whom did the prophets say would betray the Savior? -A close friend.
- 8. For how much was Jesus betrayed? -Thirty pieces of silver.
- 9. How did Jesus know that Judas would betray Him?
- -Because Jesus is God and He knows everything.
- -There is nothing that Jesus does not know.
- 10. How was the bread a sign of Jesus' body?

 -Just as the bread was broken, Jesus' body would also be broken by evil men.
- 11. How was the wine a sign of Jesus' blood?
 -Just as the wine was poured out to drink, Jesus' blood would also be poured out.
- 12. For whom did Jesus say His blood would be poured out?
- -Jesus said that His blood would be poured out for many people.
- -After Jesus and His disciples left Jerusalem, they went to the Mount of Olives to a garden called Gethsemane.

Let's read Mark 14:32-36

- 32-They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray."
- 33-He took Peter, James, and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled.
- 34-"My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death," he said to them. "Stay here and keep watch."
- 35-Going a little farther, he fell to the ground and prayed that if possible the hour might pass from him.
- 36-"Abba, Father," he said, "everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."
- -In the garden of Gethsemane, Jesus began to pray, as He was deeply troubled.
- -Why was Jesus deeply troubled?
- -Because Jesus knew that He would suffer greatly.
- -Because Jesus knew that the suffering which was before Him was more terrible than anyone had ever suffered.
- -Even though Jesus was fully God, He was also fully man.
- -It would be very difficult for Jesus to face the terrible suffering which was before Him.

Let's read Mark 14:37-42

- 37-Then Jesus returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Simon," he said to Peter, "are you asleep? Could you not keep watch for one hour?
- 38-Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak."
- 39-Once more he went away and prayed the same thing.
- 40-When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him.
- 41-Returning the third time, [Jesus] said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Enough! The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.
 - 42-Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"
- -As Jesus finished praying in the garden of Gethsemane, a crowd of men came with swords and clubs.

Let's read Mark 14:43-46

43-Just as he was speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, appeared. With him was a crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests, the teachers of the law, and the elders.

- 44-Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: "The one I kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard."
- 45-Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him.
 - 46-The men seized Jesus and arrested him.
- -Who was leading the crowd of men armed with swords and clubs?
- -Judas.
- -Why had Judas and the crowd of men come?
- -To arrest Jesus.
- -Who was leading Judas to arrest Jesus?
- -Satan.
- -Who does Satan lead these days?
- -All people who believe that they have not sinned against God are led by Satan.
- -All people who believe that God will not punish them for their sin are led by Satan.
- -All people who believe that God will accept them because of their good works are led by Satan.

- -All people who believe that they can save themselves are led by Satan.
- -All people who refuse to listen to the Word of God are led by Satan.
- -All people who refuse to believe in Jesus as Savior are led by Satan.
- -How did Judas betray Jesus?
- -With a kiss.
- -As Judas kissed Jesus, the men with Judas seized Jesus, and arrested Him.

Let's read Mark 14:47-49

- 47-Then one of those standing near drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting of his ear.
- 48-"Am I leading a rebellion," said Jesus, "that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me?
- 49-Every day I was with you, teaching in the temple courts, and you did not arrest me. But the Scriptures must be fulfilled."

- -What did Jesus mean when He said that the Scriptures must be fulfilled?
- -Jesus meant that all that God had said through the prophets many years ago about the Savior would happen.

Let's read Mark 14:50

- 50-Then all of the disciples deserted him and fled. -Why did all of Jesus' disciples run away?
- -The disciples were afraid and did not understand why Jesus was being arrested.
- -What did the disciples not understand?
- -The disciples did not understand how Jesus would be able to be the Savior if He was arrested and killed.
- -The disciples did not understand how Jesus would be able to save them if He was dead.
- -To where did the men who arrested Jesus take Him?

Let's read Mark 14:53-54

53-They took Jesus to the high priest, and all the chief priests, elders and teachers of the law came together.

- 54-Peter followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. There he sat with the guards and warmed himself at the fire.
- -The men who arrested Jesus took him to the high priest.
- -Peter followed at a distance, but he also was afraid that he would be arrested and killed.
- -When the men brought Jesus to the high priest, all of the chief priests and the Jewish leaders met together to judge Jesus.

Let's read Mark 14:55

- 55-The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for evidence against Jesus so that they could put him to death, but they did not find any.
- -Why were the Jewish leaders not able to find anything wrong with Jesus?
- -Because Jesus had done nothing wrong.
- -Because Jesus had not sinned.
- -Other people testified against Jesus, but even their testimonies were lies.

Let's read Mark 14:56-59

- 56-Many testified falsely against him, but their statements did not agree.
- 57-Then some stood up and gave this false testimony against him:
- 58-"We heard him say, 'I will destroy this manmade temple and in three days will build another, not made by man."
 - 59-Yet even then their testimony did not agree.
- -Even though many testified lies against Jesus, the Jewish leaders still were not able to find anything wrong with Jesus.
- -Just as God said through the prophets many years ago, many false witnesses would testify lies about the Savior.
- -Then, the high priest stood up and spoke to Jesus.

Let's read Mark 14:60-62

- 60-Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?"
- 61-But Jesus remained silent and gave no answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed One?"

- 62-"I am," said Jesus. "And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven."
- -When the people were testifying lies against Jesus, He was silent and did not reply.
- -Why did Jesus not reply?
- -Jesus knew that God the Father would guide Him.
- -Jesus knew that God the Father was controlling all that was going to happen to Him.
- -Then, when the high priest spoke to Jesus and asked Him whether He was the Christ, the Son of God, what did Jesus answer?
- -Jesus answered and said, "I am."
- -Jesus also said, "And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven."
- -When Jesus first came to earth, He came as God the Savior to save people.
- -When Jesus returns to earth, everyone will see Him sitting at the right hand of God the Father.

- -When Jesus returns to earth, everyone will see that Jesus is God.
- -What did the high priest do when he heard Jesus' Words?

Let's read Mark 14:63-64

- 63-The high priest tore his clothes. "Why do we need any more witnesses?" he asked.
- 64-"You have heard the blasphemy. What do you think?" They all condemned him as worthy of death.
- -Why did the high priest tear his clothes?
- -When the Jews were very angry or distressed, it was their custom to tear their clothes.
- -The high priest tore his clothes because he was very angry with Jesus.
- -Why was the high priest angry with Jesus?
- -Because Jesus had said that He was God.
- -Why did the high priest say that Jesus must be killed?
- -The high priest said that Jesus had cursed God.
- -Did Jesus curse God?

- -No.
- -Jesus was only saying that He was God.

Let's read Mark 14:65

- 65-Then some began to spit at him; they blindfolded him, struck him with their fists, and said, "Prophesy!" And the guards took him and beat him.
- -Just as God said through the prophets many years ago, the Savior would be beaten and spit upon.
- -The high priest and the Jewish leaders then condemned Jesus to die.