

# God and Man Through the Bible – Session 19

## Last Week of Jesus – John 12:1;12-15; Matthew 26:14-25; Matthew 26:26-30

### Introduction

We are reaching the end of the last week leading up to Easter. In this lesson we will see how Jesus was betrayed and arrested. In addition, we will learn about the trials of Jesus. Finally, we will see the verdict that was given.

### Read Mark 14:27-31 **On the Way to Gethsemane**

1. Why do you think that Jesus quoted a passage from the Old Testament in verse 27?
2. After reading verses 28 and 29 do you think Peter understands what Jesus means? What do you think of Peter's promise?
3. What prediction does Jesus make and how does Peter react? The others agree with Peter. Do you think they mean to keep their vow?

### Read Mark 14:32-50 **Praying in the Garden of Gethsemane & the Arrest**

4. What does Jesus do when He arrives in the garden. Why do you think He chooses to do this rather than sleep?
5. What does Jesus pray to the Father? Do you think Jesus was afraid of what was going to happen?
6. Describe what happens in verses 43 -45 in your own words. Do you think the Jewish leaders needed to send a crowd of men to arrest Jesus?
7. How do you think Jesus felt when Judas betrayed Him with a kiss?
8. Jesus asks why they did not arrest Him when He was teaching in the temple. What do you think?

### Read Mark 15:53-62 **Jesus is Tried by the Jewish Council**

9. Where was Jesus taken next and who was gathered there? Who followed Jesus?
10. Did the Council find any evidence to put Jesus to death?
11. How did Jesus answer when the high priest asked Him if He was the Messiah?
12. Why do you think the high priest got so angry when Jesus replied in verse 62? Do you think Jesus got a fair trial from the religious leaders?
13. Meanwhile, Peter betrayed Jesus three times in the courtyard. What did he do when the cock crowed? Peter had promised he would never betray Jesus. Why do you think that he did? What do you think you would do if you were asked if you were a follower of Jesus?

### Read Mark 15:1-15 **Jesus is Tried by Pilate**

14. After Jesus was arrested, who met together for the trial of Jesus? (verse 1)
15. What did Pilate ask Jesus and what was His reply? (verse 2)
16. What did the priests accuse Jesus of? What crimes had Jesus committed? How did Jesus answer? Pilate was surprised by how Jesus acted – are you? Why or why not? (verses 3-5)
17. What was Pilate, the governor's custom? Describe the man called Barabbas. Who did the Jews choose to be released and what did they ask Pilate to do with Jesus? (verses 6-13)

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18. Did Pilate think that Jesus deserved to be crucified? What did he decide to do with Jesus and Barabbas? Do you think that Jesus received a fair trial from Pilate?

### Read Mark 15:16-20

19. Where was Jesus taken? How did they treat Jesus? Do you think that they believed Jesus was a king? If not, why do you think they treated him that way?

### For Discussion

- a. Was Judas right to betray Jesus?
- b. Did Jesus deserve to be put on trial?
- c. Did Jesus have a fair trial?
- d. If you were asked to give a verdict on the life of Jesus, what would you say?

### For Further Reading:

[What is Truth? Jesus Before Pilate, John 18](#)

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