

Newington '25 – 'A Year in the Gospels' together #47 (Oct. 20-25)

Oct. 20-25/ Day 1: Read Matthew 26:47-56; Mark 14:43-53': *Jesus Arrested'*

Q. When are we tempted to take matters into our own hands out of 'devotion' to God?

Q. How do you act in frightening situation? How can you stand firm when your faith is tested?

Oct. 20-25/ Day 2: Read Luke 22:47-53; John 18:1-11: *'Jesus Arrested'*

Q. What do you think about the last person Jesus' healed?

Q. What principles for dealing with difficult and stressful circumstances do you see in Jesus's example?

Q. How can you respond when you face stressful or difficult circumstances with 'no way out'?

Oct. 20-25/ Day 3: Read John 18:12-24: *'Jesus taken to Annas'*

Q. If Jesus was arrested today, to what religious authority might He be taken?

Q. In our last few readings, we read of how the disciples scattered. Who went with Jesus & why (best guess)?

Oct. 20-25/ Day 4: Read Matthew 26:57-68; Mark 14:53-65: *'Jesus before the Sanhedrin'*

Q. What does Mark bring to this episode that differs from Matthew?

Q. In what situation this week, do you need to tell the truth, even it may cost you?

Oct. 20-25/ Day 5: Read Matthew 26:69-75; Mark 14:66-72; John 18:25-27: *'Peter disowns Jesus'*

Q. What do the differences between each of these perspectives on Peter's denial indicate to you?

Q. When have you denied Jesus, in word, thought, or practice?

Oct. 20-25/ Day 6: Study and Meditation – Consider the following questions:

Q. Why do you imagine the less flattering elements of these stories have been included?

Q. What has been your response to the thought that we are usually no better off?

Q. What have you learned about yourself? About Jesus?