

Small Group Bible Study Discussion

John 18:1–27

1. **Jesus steps forward to face those who came to arrest Him, fully aware of what was about to happen.**

What does this reveal about Jesus' trust in the Father, and how might His example shape the way we face situations we would rather avoid?

2. **In the midst of His arrest, Jesus ensures that His disciples are protected and allowed to go free.**

How does this moment deepen your understanding of Jesus as a shepherd who cares for His people—even when He Himself is suffering?

3. **Peter responds to the situation with impulsive violence by striking the servant's ear.**

When have you tried to “take control” of a difficult situation instead of trusting God's plan? What usually drives that reaction?

4. **Peter later denies knowing Jesus while standing among others who might expose him.**

What kinds of pressures—social, professional, or relational—make it tempting for believers today to distance themselves from their faith?

5. **The passage highlights a stark contrast between Jesus' courage and Peter's fear.**

What practices, relationships, or spiritual habits help cultivate courage and faithfulness when your faith is tested?

6. **Peter's failure is serious, yet his story does not end here.**

How should believers respond to their own spiritual failures in a way that leads to repentance, restoration, and renewed faithfulness?