



The Gospel of John Knowing the Father through the Son

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Jesus' Arrest, Jewish Trial, and Denial by Peter

John 18:1-27

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Theme: After Jesus' Farewell Discourse to the disciples at the Last Supper, events move rapidly. He leads them to the Garden of Gethsemane, where Judas arrives with a contingent of soldiers to arrest Him. Peter's passion and courage are evident as he lashes out with his sword in a misguided attempt to save Jesus. Yet the other side of Peter's personality also soon comes out—his wavering and impetuous nature—as three times he denies that he even knows Jesus.

Outline

1. Jesus' Arrest (18:1-14)
 - a. The location, v. 1

 - b. Judas' arrival, vv. 2-3

c. Jesus' confrontation with the soldiers, vv. 4-9

d. Peter's misguided intervention, vv. 10-11

e. Jesus arrested and taken to Annas' house, vv. 12-14

2. Trial before the Jewish Leaders and Peter's Denial (18:15–27)

a. Peter and the "other" disciple, vv. 15-16

b. Peter's first denial, vv. 17-18

c. Preliminary questioning by Annas, vv. 19-23

d. Jesus sent to Caiaphas, v. 24

e. Peter's second and third denials, vv. 25-27

Takeaway: Three responses to Jesus are evident in this passage: outright rejection, cowardly denial and misguided passion. By contrast, we see Jesus' ideal model of faithful endurance and speaking the truth.

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