

## **Jesus Knows Your Trauma (John 18:1-18)**

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- (1) When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the brook Kidron, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered.*
- (2) Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. (3) So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons.*
- (4) Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, "Whom do you seek?" (5) They answered him, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said to them, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. (6) When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they drew back and fell to the ground. (7) So he asked them again, "Whom do you seek?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." (8) Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go." (9) This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: "Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one."*
- (10) Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) (11) So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?"*
- (12) So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound him. (13) First they led him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. (14) It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people.*
- (15) Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, (16) but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in. (17) The servant girl at the door said to Peter, "You also are not one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." (18) Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself. [John 18:1-18 ESV]*

### **Practical Application**

1. Jesus knows your trauma. No-one knows trauma like Him.
2. Every person on earth has experienced suffering, pain, hurt, and sorrow. Some because of bad choices they have made. Some because of bad choices others have made. Some because of things outside of their control.
3. God knows your trauma. He knows your tears. Only He can heal, help, forgive, and make all things new.
4. Have you ever been betrayed? Have you ever been abandoned? Have you ever been lied about? Have you ever been deeply hurt by people? Have you ever been hurt by Christians?
5. Jesus knows. Jesus understands. He has been too (#JesusToo). Jesus loves... you.
6. Jesus is speaking today, do you hear His voice? What is He saying to you?
7. You were created to be in close relationship with God. Are you walking with Him? Do you want to spend time with Him?
8. Jesus will never betray you. He will never turn His back on you. He will never leave you or forsake you. He is not using you. He really does love you.
9. If God is with you you can face an army with calm, courage, boldness, and grit.
10. Jesus is in control of every situation. He has all authority. You can trust Him. Look to Him, rest in Him.

11. Jesus will never let you go. You are in the grip of His grace. Nothing can snatch you out of His hand.
12. Jesus is God, the Son.
13. There is a time to fight, there is a time to flee, and there is a time to suffer. Always ask God for wisdom.
14. Sometimes God's will is hard and not soft, painful and not comfortable, difficult and not easy.
15. Jesus took God's wrath so that you might receive God's grace, mercy, love, and eternal salvation.
16. Jesus was bound so that you might be set free.
17. Jesus was falsely accused, shamed, and guilted so that you might be acquitted, forgiven, honored, and declared innocent.
18. Jesus is the great high priest who did not come to accuse you of sin, but to atone for your sin.
19. Even when you fail Jesus will take you back in and forgive you.
20. Choose faith over fear.
21. Let Jesus warm your heart, change your heart, and free you to live passionately for God today and forever.

### **Announcements**

1. Kids Art Camp (July 17-20 from 6-8pm). For more details see our website, social media, or Tiffany Vick.
2. Men's Ministry: Today, Sunday, June 25. We will have lunch right after church and then meet at Shiloh Sporting Clays on Highway 42 for a CLAY SHOOT. The cost is \$39 for the shooting. The round will last about 2 hours. If you don't have a shotgun, no worries. There are men with extra's, or you can rent one for the day. You will also need 100 rounds of ammo. Children capable of shooting are invited. We will meet in the back of the worship room right after worship.
3. Hope Mountain is working to collect school supplies for the kids of the South Dakota Reservation. Each week we are asking everyone to bring a different item to fill their backpacks. We are working hard to equip these kids with everything they need to have a great school year. Please use this as an opportunity to show your children how God loves the cheerful giver. Let them help shop if you can. We will have a box in the lobby for you to place the items.
4. If you are looking for a small group to provide accountability & knowledge on your health & wellness journey, visit the Wellness Warriors Support Group from 5:45 to 6:45pm on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at Hope Mountain & the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays in Alabaster at UMC Restore. There is no cost and everyone is welcome. While many people are focused on weight loss, they focus on overall wellness: nutrition, exercise, healthy habits, and mindset. Visit their Facebook page "Wellness Warriors Support Group" to learn details, or text Telura Sapp 251-209-0322 or Anna Wade 205-592-8312.
5. Freedom Service: Friday, July 14th, 6:30-7:30pm (Galatians 5:13-14).