



A Kiss, A Sword & Fleeing Disciples
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Small Group Questions
Matthew 26:47-56
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Community

- If you could spend one day with one person, who would you choose to spend the day with & what would you do?
- What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain.
- What is one thing you would do differently this week as a result of this message?

Core: Read Matthew 26:47-56

1. According to verse 47 what does this scene look like? Are there situations in our day that remind you of this scene?
2. Have you ever been betrayed or felt betrayed? Describe that experience or at least how you felt and managed the experience.
3. As Jesus is being arrested one of His disciples drew a sword and swung it in the general direction of the oncoming mob cutting off the ear of one of the high priest's servants. Jesus reprimands His disciple and John's Gospel tells us He

healed the man's ear. How would you have felt being reprimanded for defending Jesus? How would you have felt seeing Jesus heal the man?

4. What are some reasons Jesus offers for it being unnecessary for His disciples to defend Him? Looking back, what do you think an appropriate response look like?

5. What does Jesus say to the crowd?

6. Why does Jesus claim that this series of events had to take place?

7. What does this scene tell you about situations in your own life that seem to be spiraling out of control?

8. What do you think is going through Jesus' mind as His closest friends fled? Describe what the disciples must have been thinking. Have you ever physically or metaphorically ran away from something? Would you describe that experience as a high point or a low point in your life? Why?

9. How would you describe Jesus through all of this chaos? How might it help you in a time of turmoil to know Jesus is in total control?

Pray to Close