

Read Mark 14:53-72

- What was the goal of the high priest and other priests in this “trial?”
- What do we learn about Peter in verse 54?
- What does verse 55 teach us about the people accusing Jesus? What should a judge or jury “keep trying” to do?
- Read Deuteronomy 17:6. What does this show us about the legitimacy of the trial?
- Read John 2: 13-25. Did Jesus say what they accused Him of in verse 58? How is his language misinterpreted.
- Read Isaiah 53:7. How is the prophecy fulfilled during the trial?
- How did Jesus react to all of these accusations? What do we learn from Jesus here? Why did He remain silent?
- Can you think of an example where it would have been better for you to hold your tongue? How would it have affected what happened?
- How did Jesus answer the high priest’s key question? Why did He answer this instead of remaining silent?
- How did they label Jesus’ declaration? What was the punishment for this offense?
- How do we know, in the face of unfairness, when to speak up and when to remain silent?
- What can we learn from Peter’s denials?
- Peter breaks down and weeps as he realises his error. What emotions do you think he was feeling?
- How would you have responded in Peter’s situation?
- Read Isaiah 53: 4-6. We are all like lambs that have gone astray. How do we turn back to God?