

Peter and Jesus in the Olive Press (John 18:1-18)

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Introduction

Betrayal and Gethsemane

18₁ Having said these *things*, Jesus went out with His disciples across the Kedron ravine, where a garden was which He and His disciples entered.

₂ Now Judas, the one betraying Him, also knew the place, because Jesus also often met there with His disciples.

₃ So Judas took a detachment of soldiers and some deputies from the chief priests and Pharisees and came there with lanterns, torches, and weapons.

₄ So Jesus, knowing everything that was coming upon Him, went out and said to them, "Whom do you • seek?"

₅ They answered Him, "Jesus the Nazarene." Jesus told them, "I am *He*." Now Judas, the one betraying Him, was also standing with them.

₆ So when He told them, "I am *He*," they went back and fell to the ground.

₇ So He asked them again, "Whom do you • seek?" "Jesus the Nazarene," they said.

₈ Jesus replied, "I told you that I am *He*. So if you • seek Me, let these *men go*,"

₉ so the word which He had said would be fulfilled: "I have not *let* any of them perish of those You have given Me."

₁₀ So Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's servant, and severed his right ear. Now the servant's name was Malchus.

₁₁ So Jesus told Peter, "Sheathe your sword. Should I not drink the cup which the Father has given Me?"

Jesus in the High Priest's Court (18:12-14)

¹² So the detachment, its captain, and Judean deputies arrested Jesus and bound Him.

¹³ And they first led Him away to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who (during that year) was high priest.

¹⁴ Now Caiaphas was who had advised Judean *leaders* that it was beneficial that one man perish in place of the people *perishing*.

Peter's First Denial in the High Priest's Courtyard (18:15-18)

¹⁵ Now Simon Peter and the other disciple were following Jesus. Now that disciple was known to the high priest, so he entered the high priest's *courtyard* with Jesus.

¹⁶ But Peter was standing outside by the gate. So the other disciple who was known to the high priest went out and spoke to the girl keeping the door, and brought Peter inside.

¹⁷ So the servant-girl keeping the door said to Peter, "You are not *one* of this man's disciples also, *are you?*"
He said, "I am not."

¹⁸ Now servants and deputies stood *around* (having made a charcoal fire, for it was cold), and were warming themselves. Now Peter was with them, standing and warming himself.

Conclusion