

Questions on John chapter 18

1. Where did Jesus go from the upper room, what is the meaning of the place's name, and how did Judas know where to find him? Verses 1-2.

2. Who made up the company who went to arrest Jesus? Did they take him by surprise? Verses 3-4.

3. Why do you think the crowd "went backward and fell to the ground" when Jesus acknowledged "I am he"? Verses 5-6.

4. Why did Jesus ask the mob to let his disciples go their way, and where is his "saying" that was fulfilled to be found? Verses 7-9.

5. Why didn't Peter cut off Malchus' head instead of just his ear? Verse 10.

6. Why did Jesus rebuke Peter for using the sword to defend him and what was "the cup" Jesus was determined to drink? Verse 11.

7. Why did the mob take Jesus to Annas first instead of Caiphas, the High Priest? Verse 12-13.

8. From John's description of Caiphas, would we expect justice or political expediency in his treatment of Jesus? Verse 14.

9. Do we have any way of knowing who the "other disciple" was that went into the palace of the high priest with Simon Peter? Verses 15-16.

10. Was it dangerous for Peter and John to do what they did? If so, why was it especially dangerous for Peter? Verses 17-18.

11. What was the high priest's purpose in asking Jesus about his disciples and teaching? Verse 19.

12. What was hypocritical in the high priest's questions, and how did Jesus effectively answer them? Verses 20-21.

13. When Jesus asked for justice and evidence after being slapped by an inferior officer, why do you think Annas immediately ended the questioning? Verses 22-24.

14. How many times did Peter deny the Lord, why was the third one more dangerous physically, and what is the significance of the cock crowing? Verses 23-27.

15. Why was Jesus taken to Pilate and how is it the height of religious hypocrisy? Verse 28.

16. What charges were brought against Jesus when Pilate asked for an accusation against him? Verses 29-30.

17. Why wouldn't Pilate accept their judgment of Jesus and how did that fulfill the prediction of Jesus concerning his manner of death? Verses 31-32.

18. Why was it important in what sense the phrase, "king of the Jews," was being used? Verses 33-34.

19. Where did Pilate get his information about Jesus being called “king of the Jews”? Verse 35.

20. How did Jesus assure Pilate that he was no threat to the Roman Empire? Verse 36.

21. Did Jesus deny being a king? If not, how did he define his mission? Verse 37.

22. In talking with the Jews, what would simple justice have demanded? Verse 38.

23. What was Pilate’s hope in suggesting that Jesus be released as a prisoner as a custom of the Jews before the Passover? Verse 39.

24. What were some of the inconsistencies of the Jews in asking that Barabbas be released instead of Jesus? Verse 40.