JESUS IS BETRAYED

Matthew 26:44-57 and Luke 22:47-54



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Jesus is Betrayed



Jesus had prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane for quite some time. When He returned to His disciples, He asked, "Are you still sleeping? Wake up! The time has come when I will be betrayed."

Judas had told the group of people he was with that he would kiss Jesus. While Jesus was still speaking to the disciples, Judas came to Him. When Judas greeted Jesus, he kissed Him. Jesus said, "Friend, why have you come?" Right afterwards, the soldiers arrested Jesus.

One of the disciples with Jesus drew out his sword and cut off the ear of the servant of the high priest. Jesus told the disciples to put their swords away then touched the servant's ear and healed him.

Next, He said to them, "My Father could provide Me with whatever I need. The Scriptures must be fulfilled.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the temple, who by then had appeared, "You have come with swords and sticks as if you had come to arrest a robber. I have been in the temple with you every day and you have never arrested me there. But this is your hour to act when the power of darkness rules."

Then they led Him away. They took Jesus to the house of the high priest for questioning.

Suggestions for the Teacher

Lead-In

Show the picture to the children. Discuss with them what they see. Ask what she/he may feel.... Let some of the children play the story in a role-play. Instruct them before. Provide disguise / fancy dress, swords, candles, helmets....

Lesson Instructions

Begin telling the story...

Discuss with the children...

- What happens in the Garden of Gethsemane?
 (Jesus prays fervently to His Father in the Garden of Gethsemane.)
- Some men led by Judas Iscariot appear to arrest Jesus.
- How do they identify Jesus? (Judas kisses Jesus.)
- How does Jesus feel after this? (He is very sad.)
- What does Peter do? (He takes his sword and strikes off the ear of one of the men.)
- How does Jesus react? (He touches the servant's ear and heals him.)
- How does Jesus explain this?
 (God could send thousands of angels to protect Him, but He wants to fulfil God's will.)

Have the children repeat...

- Jesus was betrayed by Judas.
- Under all circumstances, we want to hold close to the Lord.

Real-Life Application (explain the following)

- Jesus sacrificed His life for all men. Through His sacrifice, all sins can be forgiven.
- His sacrifice is also valid for us today.

Repeat the Message
We love the Lord and follow Him because
He suffered and sacrificed His life for us.