

WORKSHEET The Gospels: Episode 15

The Trial of Jesus

Quote

"See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand." (Jesus)

Summary

Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane. He was betrayed by Judas and arrested by the religious leaders. Jesus was taken before the high priests, including Annas and Caiaphas. He was denied three times by Peter. Jesus was taken before Herod Antipas and Pontius Pilate. He was convicted of blasphemy and sentenced to death.

Discussion Questions

1. Jesus was arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane. What does "Gethsemane" mean?

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2. Discuss the roles of Annas and Caiaphas in the arrest of Jesus.

5. Why did the religious leaders get the Romans involved in the trial of Jesus?

Scripture Readings

Matthew 26:36-75 and 27:1-26 Mark 14:32-72 and 15:1-20 Luke 22:39-71 and 23:1-25 John 18 and 19:1-16

Side Road

The Garden of Gethsemane at the foot of the Mount of Olives is now protected by the walled grounds of the Church of all Nations—also known as the Church of the Agony. It's a peaceful garden among a grove of ancient olive trees, looking back at the eastern wall of the City of Jerusalem. It's truly remarkable to note that one section of olive trees dates to between 1,500 and 2,000-years-old. Many scholars believe that these actual trees have been pruned back each year since the time of Jesus. It's quite possible that a few of these trees had a front row seat for the most important event in history.