

## A Grave Injustice

Mark 14:43-52

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### I. The false arrest. Mark 14:43-46

The agony of Gethsemane was now behind Jesus but the \_\_\_\_\_ and brutality of His arrest, false trials, beatings, and the cross were about to take place.

- Judas brought a massive group of armed soldiers and temple \_\_\_\_\_ to falsely arrest Jesus in the middle of the night.

**John 18:6 Now when He said to them, " \_\_\_\_\_ He," they drew back and fell to the ground. NKJV**

- Jesus' Shekinah Glory is seen in the Tabernacle in **Exodus**, and it was the same Glory \_\_\_\_\_ revealed to His closest followers on the Mount of Transfiguration.

### II. Miracle during a betrayal. Mark 14:47

Peter was foolish for attacking Malchus, and Jesus communicated to Peter that the battle in the Garden was not a \_\_\_\_\_ battle but a necessary, spiritual battle. **2 Corinthians 10:4-5**

- One Angel in one night killed 185,000 Assyrian soldiers. *What could 48,000-72,000 angels do to protect their \_\_\_\_\_?*

### III. The Scriptures must be fulfilled. Mark 14:48-50

This mob scene in the middle of the night was unnecessary, but even with this event, the Word of God given through the prophets was being \_\_\_\_\_.

- Jesus allowed these atrocities to take place as He humbly \_\_\_\_\_ to the Father and showed His love to those for whom He was about to die.

Jesus chose, as part of the predetermined will of God, to come and \_\_\_\_\_ lost sinners. **Acts 4:27-28**

### IV. A young man fled. Mark 14:51-52

Those who believe the "**Young man**" was Mark, think he took it upon himself to run after Jesus and the Disciples to warn the Lord, and then he also \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus being arrested, so he fled.

- "*John Mark may have hastily put on an outer garment and followed the mob to the Garden. The soldiers may have even tried to \_\_\_\_\_ him, so he fled.*" (Warren Wiersbe)

## Small Group Discussion

*Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?*

1. Read **Mark 14:43-46**. Discuss the false arrest of Jesus. *Why did these men come at night and in a secluded place to arrest Jesus? Why didn't the guards know who Jesus was?*  
**Proverbs 27:6, Isaiah 53:2**
2. Read **John 18:4-6**. What happened when Jesus claimed the title of being "**I am**"?  
**Exodus 3:1-16, John 6:20,35,48,51, John 8:12,24,28,58, John 9:5, John 10:7,9,11,14, John 11:25, John 14:6, John 15:1, John 18:5**
3. *What does the fact that a large group of men came to arrest Jesus tell you about their understanding (or misunderstanding) of Jesus?* (Warren Wiersbe)
4. Read **Mark 14:47** and **John 18:10**. *Why is this particular healing so extraordinary? What was Peter misunderstanding about this battle in the Garden of Gethsemane?*  
**2 Corinthians 10:4-5, Ephesians 6:10-20**
5. Read **Matthew 26:52-54**. Discuss the power and significance of what 48,000-72,000 angels could do to protect Jesus if He had called on them.  
**2 Kings 19:35, Revelation 12:7-9, Revelation 22:8-9**
6. Read **Mark 14:48-50**. *Why did Jesus allow this mob scene to happen?*  
**Mark 14:35-36, John 17:4-5, Acts 4:27-28**
7. Read **Mark 14:51-52**. *Who is this "young man"? Why did he flee?*
8. Discuss the practical application of the sermon.