Sermon Discussion Guide:

The Arrest of Jesus

Scripture: **Luke 22:47–53**

Series: The Gospel of Luke

Sunday, June 14, 2020

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OVERVIEW

In these verses we see Jesus betrayed with a kiss and arrested for crimes he didn't commit. We don't see Jesus act as we might if arrested. Rather, we see our Savior display many of the same traits that He has throughout his ministry. He leads by example. He did not repay evil by sinning. He shows us his true power and example so we might place our zeal in Christ. God knows each of us and we need to "learn from and lean on Christ." Jesus submits to evil to save us from evil.

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CORROBORATING TEXTS

John 18:1-11; Colossians 2:13-15; 1 John 4:14

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Jesus is betrayed by Judas when he draws near with a kiss. Read Psalm 55:12–14. Did Jesus feel betrayed? Why is the act of the kiss so significant in the betrayal? Pastor Joe called the kiss of Judas "a lie." The act is very hypocritical. How are we like Judas? Can our relationship with Jesus become a lie? What is the application for us?
- 2. Most are familiar with the account of Jesus' arrest. We see Jesus' actions in both parallel accounts in Luke and John. See the following characteristics of Christ as He moves through His arrest: **obedience**, **love**, **revealed glory**, **shepherding protection**, **peacemaking**, **healing**, and **compassion**. Discuss how this affects us and our call to action.
- 3. This begins in the garden of Gethsemane. Jesus had just been praying, crying out to the Father, asking Him to remove the cup if possible but agrees to obey if there is no other way. Even at this last minute, He is teaching His disciples His last precept before He is arrested—pray, keep praying, don't neglect prayer, it is what keeps you from temptation.
- 4. Pastor Joe made a statement in regard to leaning on Jesus and learning from Jesus. "Sometimes it feels as if evil is winning," referencing 1 John 4:4. As we have looked at the characteristics of Jesus in our main passage and 1 John, how can we be encouraged to face evil and overcome our trials and tribulations?

