

PEOPLE OF PASSION: HIGH PRIEST'S SLAVE

· All In Group Discussion Guide ·
Week of February 18

SCRIPTURES

Mark 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

Luke 22:47-53

While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him, 'Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?' When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, 'Lord, should we strike with the sword?' Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said, 'No more of this!' And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, 'Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!'

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Opening Question:

What is one thing you are passionate about that might surprise others?

Questions:

This week we begin the People of Passion Series. What does passion mean? What makes someone passionate?

Malchus is trying to make the best of terrible circumstances, can you relate to him? How so?

Jesus stops a fight from breaking out at great cost to him, what would it take for you to do what Jesus did in the garden?

The New Testament seems pretty clear that violence should not be part of the Christian life, how does this strike you?

Closing Question & Application:

What did God say to you during the conversation today?

How might you live out that learning this week?

Prayer:

As the leader, let the group know they will repeat after you in order to close with prayer. You will say as follows: "Repeat after me. Be still and know that I am God (Leave 10 seconds of silence) "Be still and know that I am" (silence) "Be still and know that I" (Silence) "Be still and know" (Silence) "Be still" (Silence) "Be" (Silence) Amen.

