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THE MARKS OF FAITH
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Mark 14:1 - 15:15

Dawn watch - Before Pilate: Jesus alone before the unbelieving world

- Because faith is so important, God will allow times in my life when it seems like I am truly alone so I learn to trust Him alone. (Mark 15:1-15; Hebrews 11:35-39)

Cockcrow watch - Before the Sanhedrin: Jesus stands and the disciples fall

- Because faith is so important, God will allow circumstances in my life where I will have to choose heaven's treasure above the world's pleasure. (Mark 14:53-72; Hebrews 11:25-26)

Midnight watch - Gethsemane: Jesus prays and the disciples sleep

- Because faith is so important, God will allow difficult times to draw me near to Him so I will draw on His strength. (Mark 14:32-52; Hebrews 11:5; Genesis 5:24)

Evening watch - The Lord's Supper: Jesus serves and the disciples swerve

- Because faith is so important, God will bring me face to face with the real me so I learn to rely on Him. (Mark 14:10-31; Hebrews 11:7)

Anointing Jesus - The extravagant sacrifice of worship

- Because faith is so important, God provides opportunities where my sacrifice allows the very fragrance of Christ to become the fragrance of my life. (Mark 14:1-9; Hebrews 11:4)

NEXT STEPS:

- ❑ This week, I will ask God to give me a heart of extravagant worship - "Worship is the continual choice to live for God's glory in all of life."
- ❑ This week, I will ask God to give me a heart of courage to choose heaven's treasure above the world's pleasure.
- ❑ This week, I will draw near to God by spending at least 5 minutes in the Word and then 5 more minutes in meditation (prayerfully thinking about the Scripture I just read), worship (rejoicing in God's glory and character and thanking Him for all He has done in my life), and supplication (laying my requests for others and myself before Him).



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study guide

Lesson Aim: To learn to live a life marked by Jesus.

Prayer: Open in prayer asking for the Holy Spirit to show you how to have courage in all things.

Icebreaker: What is one of your favorite places to eat? What makes it special?

1. If you were asked, how would you describe what communion is and what does it represent?
2. Read Mark 14:17-32. How would you have felt if you were at that meal?
3. Read Mark 14:66-72. Peter is brave enough to follow Jesus to the high priest's house. Why do you think he now denies Christ when questioned?

4. Why is it easy for many people to talk about God in general, but it becomes difficult to talk about Jesus?
5. How can you build up courage for your daily walk with Jesus and your conversations about Jesus?
6. Is worship for us or for God? Explain your viewpoint.

Weekly Memory Verse:

Mark 14:22-24 While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, and they all drank from it. "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many" he said to them.