

John 18 — Betrayed and denied

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1 Eat

Read the passage slowly, read it again, then retell it in your own words. If you can't retell it, read it once more.

☐ Read ☐ Reread ☐ Retell

2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. What does this passage show me about God?

Contrast Jesus and Peter through this chapter — the garden, the courtyard, the trial. Who is in control at every step, and how can you tell?

2. What does it show me about people — and about myself?

Jesus told Pilate, 'My kingdom is not of this world.' Where do you catch yourself fighting for Jesus with the world's weapons instead of his?

3. What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)

Peter denied Jesus three times beside a fire. In what setting are you most likely to deny him quietly — and what will you do differently there this week?

4. Who will I tell?

Pilate asked, 'What is truth?' with the truth standing in front of him. Who in your life is asking that question — and how could you point them to Jesus this week?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

★ Pray

Jesus, in the garden you stepped forward and said, 'I am he,' shielding your friends while Peter reached for a sword. You drank the cup the Father gave you — for me.



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