Lesson 35

SHALL I NOT DRINK THE CUP?

John 18:1-27
Key Verse: 11

1. After his prayer, where did Jesus and his disciples go (1)? Who came there and with what intent (2-3)? How did Jesus take initiative and why (4)? How does the Bible show that Jesus was in charge of this situation (5-7)?

2. How did Jesus protect his disciples and why (8-9)? How would you have felt as one of Jesus’ disciples at this point? What was Peter’s emotional reaction (10)? In contrast, what do Jesus’ words show about his resolve (11)?

3. What was done to Jesus and where was he taken (12-14; 11:49-52)? Who followed Jesus and why do you think they did so (15a)? What happened when they got there (15b-18)? How has Peter’s attitude and demeanor changed from earlier and why?

4. What was Jesus questioned about and how did he reply (19-21)? What did an official do and say to Jesus and why (22)? How did he expose their hypocrisy and speak the truth (23)? Where did they send Jesus (24)?

5. Meanwhile, how was Peter questioned and how did he reply (25)? Who challenged Peter and how did he reply for the third time (26-27)? What is significant about the rooster’s crow (27b; 13:38)? How did Peter contrast Jesus in this passage and why?

6. How has this passage motivated you to love and trust Jesus more?