Spiritual Life Manual Part 18

03-12-23 Today's Scripture is John 18

Divine Surrender

Just because the world out of control doesn't mean God isn't in control; He's simply allowing His purpose to be _____.

The efforts used to arrest Jesus are still being used today.

Worldly Tactics:

P_____ over Reason

18:1-14

Why kill the one who gives hope and healing?

So the Pharisees said to one another, "See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after Him!" John 12:19

You do not realize that it is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish John 11:50

Why not wait till after Passover?

... John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! John 1:29

Why didn't they recognize Jesus?

He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. John 1:10

Evidence of God's Control:

Iohn 18:6 When Jesus said, "I am he," they drew back and fell to the ground.

Genesis 17:3 Joshua 5:14 Ezekiel 1:28 & 3:23 Daniel 8:17 & 10:15 Matthew 17:6 Revelation 1:17 a P_____ over a Person

18:19 - 24

Arresting only one Afraid of the crowd Luke 20:6 Accomplishing as much as possible before people _____.

This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. John 3:19

Attempt false testimony Mark 14:55-56

Evidence of God's Control:

If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. But this is to fulfill what is written in their Law: 'They hated me without reason.' John 15:18 & 25

P_____ over Proof

18:28 - 40

Include those with more authority

Ignore Truth

Yet because I tell the truth, you do not believe me! .John 8:45

Increase

He must become greater; I must become less. John 3:30

Evidence of God's Control:

Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on them. John 3:36

Optional Readings: The Ways of Worldliness

Matt. 24 Luke 12, 14, 21 1 Cor. 10 Col. 3 2 Tim. 2-3 Titus 3 James 3 1 Peter 2 & 4 2 Peter 2 Jude 1