

# SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

## John 18:12-27

**Ice Breaker:** What is the most famous trial you remember? Why was it so memorable?

**Ice Breaker:** Share an evidence of God's grace you've seen or experienced this week.

### DISCUSSION: Faithless Peter, Faithful Jesus

1. Read John 11:47-53. What is significant about Jesus going before Caiaphas and Jesus being our High Priest (Heb. 9:11-14)
2. What is significant about Peter's denial of Jesus? (see John 13:36-38; 21:15-19)
3. What do you think caused Peter to deny Christ before the servant girl? What are some ways we are tempted to deny Jesus before others today? When are you most tempted to tell lies about God and your relationship with Jesus?
4. What is our only hope when we realize we have denied Jesus through our actions and our words?
5. How does Jesus response to the high priest differ from Peter's response around the fire
6. What caused one of the officers to strike Jesus? What did Jesus say that was so offensive? What do their actions following Jesus response in vs23 tell you about this trial?
7. Reflect as a group the importance of Jesus being faithful to his word and to his Father's plan. How does Jesus faithfulness encourage you as you may struggle to be faithful?
8. Why can we trust God will be faithful to all his promises? What promise of God are you longing to see fulfilled?

### FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP QUESTIONS

1. Why can we trust God even when our circumstances seem dark and out of control?
2. What do we need to remind ourselves we when feel we are suffering unjustly?