

Light | of Jesus in my life

When I Do What I Shouldn't Do

John 18:7-14

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Introduction: It's not what you see that drives your life; it's what you don't see. The turn in the road. The root across the trail. Even more, the things inside you. The parts of yourself that even you don't see, hidden in shadow. Longings, secrets, fears....When you meet Jesus, what you notice is not just what you see in him, but what you see in yourself. And his light shining beauty into your life. It all comes out in St. John's passion. And it comes out in our lives too as we approach the light of Jesus's greatest hour.

Prayer: Father, help us to learn from this text about the deep love Jesus has for his disciples.
Amen

Read: John 18:7-14

Review: Last week, what was surprising about the initial interaction between Jesus and the officials/soldiers?

Discussion:

1. Why did Jesus have to ask and respond again? Did the officials not hear him the first time?
2. How was Jesus able to be concerned with his disciples and relevant scripture in the midst of being arrested?
3. What was Jesus thinking when he commanded Peter to "put your sword away"?
4. What was important about the statement of Caiaphas in verse 14?

Application: Remain focused this week on relevant scripture if you are in the midst of a physical crisis.

Prayer: Father, thank you for the concern you give each of us, as you did for the disciples.
Amen