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JESUS' BETRAYAL AND SURRENDER (John 18:1-12)

- I. Jesus' Supreme COURAGE (John 18:1-4*a*)
 - A. They crossed the Kidron to enter a GARDEN
 - B. Jesus and His disciples had MET there FREQUENTLY
 - 1. The eleven were not SURPRISED Jesus took them there
 - 2. Judas knew exactly WHERE TO FIND HIM
 - C. Judas brings a LARGE GROUP to arrest Jesus (cf. Matt. 26:47)
 - 1. He brought "the cohort" of ROMAN SOLDIERS
 - 2. He brought OFFICERS of the chief priests and the Pharisees
 - 3. They came prepared with LATERNS, TORCHES, and WEAPONS
 - 4. There was nothing STEALTHY about this "arrest"
 - D. Jesus KNEW what was happening and went to MEET THEM
- II. Jesus' Sovereign COMMAND (John 18:4*b*-6)
 - A. Jesus made them DECLARE their PURPOSE
 - B. In response, Jesus identified Himself as "I AM"
 - C. Judas, "who was betraying HIM, was standing with THEM"
 - D. They all drew BACK and FELL DOWN
- III. Jesus' Selfless COMPASSION (John 18:7-9)
 - A. Jesus asked again, "WHOM do you SEEK?"

- 1. They had been INCAPABLE of PERFORMING their mission
- 2. He had made them declare the LIMIT of their WARRANT
- B. Jesus was securing the disciples' SAFETY
 - 1. He had promised that NONE of them would be LOST (cf. 6:37-40)
 - 2. He surrendered HIMSELF for their DELIVERANCE
- IV. Jesus' Submissive COMPLIANCE (John 18:10-12)
 - A. Peter tried to DEFEND Jesus
 - 1. He drew a DAGGER
 - 2. He cut off a man's EAR
 - B. Jesus CORRECTED Peter
 - C. Jesus declared that what was COMING was from the FATHER
 - D. The soldiers ARRESTED and BOUND Jesus