



Jesus in Jewish Custody

Luke 22:63-71

Something to Start Us Off

- Have you ever felt like you were (or maybe really were) on trial? What was that like?

Something to Notice

- In 22:63-65, what are some of the things that the men who held Jesus in custody say and do to him?
- Once Jesus is placed before the council, what do they ask him?
- And how does Jesus respond to their questions?
- Name at least one of the three different titles applied to Jesus when he is standing before the council.

Something to Understand

While this does not communicate perfectly in English, the statement “You say that I am” (v.70) was an affirmation of what was just said. A good comparison involving Judas found is in Matthew 26:24-25. That is why the council members respond the way they do in v.71.

- Imagine yourself in the place of Jesus, being blindfolded and so on. How would you feel at that moment? How do you think you would respond?
- The *council* was in this case the *Sanhedrin*, the main governing body of the Jewish people at this time. Try to describe their attitude toward Christ.
- Read Daniel 7:13-14. In what ways does that older passage relate to the response Jesus gives here calling himself the Son of Man?

Something to Take Home

- After looking at this section of Luke 22, how would you describe Jesus’ demeanor while on trial before the Jewish authorities?
- Is there anything else this look at Luke 22:63-71 that you especially want to remember for future reference? Can you explain why?