

John 18:1-11
Power and Glory in the Garden.

INTRO: In the darkest hour the glory of Christ shines brightest!

1) **The Midnight** _____ **Setting.**

(John 18:1-3)

2) **The Powerful** _____.

(John 18:4, 6-7)

3) **The Weak Sauce** _____.

(John 18:5a, 7b)

4) The “I Am the _____” Declaration!

(John 18:5-6; 6:35; 8:12; 8:58-59; 10:9; 10:11; 11:25-26; 14:6; 15:5)

5) The Remarkable _____.

(John 18:8-9; Exodus 9:13)

6) The Off-Target Reaction!

(John 18:10; Matt. 26:52-56; Heb. 9:22-28)

7) The Emphatic “No Cross, No _____” Reminder!

(John 18:11; Luke 9:20-22; Mark 10:45)

For Further Reflection/Application: *Lord help us to be doers of the Word and not just hearers!*

What is the most important thing you heard today? How were you encouraged, challenged, and/or convicted? What do you want to study further as a result of today's message?

In what sense is John 18 an unlikely time/place/setting to behold the power and glory of Christ?

What did the preacher mean when he said, "In the darkest hour the glory of Christ shines brightest!"

How does John help the reader understand that Jesus wasn't some helpless victim during his arrest/trial/crucifixion? John 18 presents the Son of God in the driver's seat willingly turning Himself over to His enemies. What are some of the theological/practical reasons this is an important detail?

Acts 2:23; Mark 10:45; John 10:11; Isaiah 53.

How does John 18-19 underscore the adage, "the enemy of an enemy is a friend?"

Jeremiah 17:9; Romans 3:1-26; The Powerful Question brings about the Weak (Sauce) Reply. Some things (sadly) have not changed. As the song goes, *Sweet little Jesus boy, born in a manger/ Sweet little Holy Child, we didn't know who You were. Long time ago it seems You were born. Born in a manger Lord, sweet little Jesus boy/ Didn't know You'd come to save us/ To take our sins away/ Our eyes were blind, we did not see/We didn't know who You were.*

Jesus is the Great I Am. Note John 20:30-31 and the following passages John 18:5; 6:35; 8:12; 8:58-59; 10:9; 10:11; 11:25-26; 14:6; 15:5. Have you confessed that Jesus Christ is Lord (Romans 10:9-10)?

Is Jesus your God and King? Your Savior and your Friend? Do you truly know Him (John 17:3) and love Him (1 Corinthians 16:22; Luke 6:46)?

In what sense is Jesus "the Greater Moses?"

Why was Peter's reaction "off-target?" Note John 18:10; Heb. 9:22-28; Matthew 26:52-56; and Luke 9:20f.

How should you respond to this glorious revelation of Jesus Christ? What songs/hymns came to mind after listening to Sunday's exposition of John 18?

What biblical truths and/or new insights have you taken away during this careful expository study of Jesus' great prayer in John 17? How is this "great prayer" related to Jesus' upper room discourse (John 13-16)? How does it prepare the way for the forthcoming death and resurrection of Christ?

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