

# **The Answer that Changed Everything** Mark 14:53-65

#### No Lie Against Jesus Will Stand Mark 14:53-61a

Mark 14:56 - "For many were giving false testimony against Him, but their testimony was not consistent."

- False testimony was given against Jesus but inconsistent, contradictory and not sufficient for conviction.
- Jesus is embodied truth. "I am the way, and the truth, and the life." John 14:6
- Twenty-two Jewish laws were broken by the Chief Priest and Sanhedrin in the administration of this trial. Arnold Fruchtenbaum in "Yeshua: The Life of Messiah from a Messianic Jewish Perspective."
- Isaiah 53:7 "He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He did not open His mouth; Like a lamb that is led to slaughter, and like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His mouth."

#### The Big Question Mark 14:61b

Mark 14:61b - "Are you the Christ (Messiah), the Son of the Blessed One?"

- Jesus has avoided answer this question explicitly in public.
- Jesus has displayed His authority through healings, stilling the sea, walking on water, casting out demons, feeding thousands, forgiving sin and more.

#### The World Changing Answer of Jesus Mark 14:62-65

Mark 14:62 – "I am; and you shall see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven."

- Jesus brings many other passages of Scripture together as He answers this climactic question.
  - Exodus 3:13-14 Then Moses said to God, "Behold, I am going to the sons of Israel, and I will say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you.' Now they may say to me, "What is His name?' What shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM"; and He said, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"
  - Psalm 110:1 The LORD says to my Lord; "Sit at My **right hand** until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet."
  - Daniel 7:13-14 I kept looking in the night visions, and behold with the clouds of heaven One like a Son of Man was coming, and he came up to the Ancient of Days and was presented before Him, and to Him was given dominion, glory and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations and ment of every language might serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion which will not pass away; and His kingdom is one which will not be destroyed.
  - Revelation 1:7 Behold, He is **coming with the clouds**, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him; and all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him. So it is to be. Amen.
- Their response or tearing their robes and shouting "blasphemy" shows the intent of Jesus' answer. He isn't just another messianic figure. He is claiming to be God Himself.

Response: Who do you say Jesus is? Is He the Messiah, the Son of God?

## **Digging Deeper + LifeGroup Discussion:**

- 1. Have you ever had false testimony or rumors spoken against you? How did that feel? How difficult is it to remain silent in that situation?
- 2. When was the moment that you believed that Jesus truly is who He says He is in Mark 14:62? Share that with us. How did it grow and mature over time?
- 3. Have you ever felt like one of the Sanhedrin that didn't want to believe Jesus was God because you didn't want to have to change your life to live in submission to Him?

## **Next Steps:**

**ATTEND THE WEDNESDAY NIGHT PASTOR STUDY**: Join an in-depth Bible study of prophecy in Revelation with Pastor David Mitchell, featuring traditional worship each Wednesday Night at 7:00pm in Samsvick Chapel. Find out more about this study and all Midweek opportunities at **calvarylife.org/midweek** 

**COME TO THE MATTHEW SLATER EVENT TODAY:** Join us today at 4:00 pm for a BBQ Tailgate Party with food and games for the whole family. Enter for your chance to win autographed sports gear and hear an inspiring conversation on Football, Family and Faith with 3-Time Super Bowl Champion, 7-Time Pro Bowler, and team captain with the New England Patriots, Matthew Slater! Purchase your tickets at **calvarylife.org/slater** 

**JOIN A LIFEGROUP:** LifeGroups are ongoing small group communities that gather together throughout the week to CONNECT in a smaller setting, GROW together in our faith, and REACH out together to our community. To get involved or for more information, contact Connections + LifeGroups Pastor, Robert Carter, at rcarter@calvarylife.org, or indicate "LifeGroups" on The Card (located in the chair rack in the seat in front of you). **calvarylife.org/lifegroups** 

### In Response:

**COMMUNION:** Communion is a "meal" for believers in Jesus Christ to help us give thanks and remember His death on the cross for the forgiveness of sins. The matzah bread represents the body of Christ given for us. The cup of juice represents the blood of Christ that was shed to pay the price for our sins. We are called to examine ourselves before taking communion (Read 1 Corinthians 11:23-34). We typically pass communion elements the first Sunday of the month. Most other weeks, communion is available at tables around the room after the sermon.

**GIVING:** The offering is received during each Sunday service. This is a way to express a wholehearted trust in God and worship Him through giving. It is also an act of obedience to God that helps free us from money having mastery over us. Tithing is a biblical command of 10% as a baseline of giving, but the New Testament calls us as followers of Jesus to give even more. Our prayer is that you plan ahead to give purposefully and joyfully to God, helping to further ministry locally and globally in Jesus' name. Discover ways to give on the front of the bulletin or **calvarylife.org/give** 

**PRAYER POINTS:** These locations at the front right and left of the Worship Center will have people available to pray with you during the time of singing after the sermon and after the service as well. These people are excited to pray with you about anything in your life, including praying to tell Jesus that you believe in Him as God and trust Him for salvation. They will also pray for any health needs, stresses, worries, family members, temptations or anything else.

**PRAYER ROOM:** The Prayer Room is located at the front right of the Worship Center Auditorium through the doorway behind the Prayer Point. This is a quiet space that you can go to at anytime during the service to be able to pray and reflect on what God is doing in your heart.



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