THE Story

Lesson 17 Chapter 26 The Hour of Darkness (Pt 2) p.371-377

1. Think back to what you would consider to be the longest night of your life.

2. After His time in the upper room with His disciples, Jesus continued through the longest night of His earthly life by quoting a passage from Zechariah 13:7. (top of page 372) What is significant about the fact that Jesus quoted several passages from the Old Testament on His way to the cross?

3. From Peter's response to Jesus' prediction His disciples' desertion later that night, do you think he really understood what was about to happen?

What is significant about the statement, "...ALL the other disciples said the same thing"?

4. Why do you think Jesus' picked Gethsemane ("oil press") as a place to pray?

What was the basis of his agony as He prayed? (Check out I Peter 2:24)

5. What does our Lord pinpoint as the reason for the disciples' failure in the garden and throughout His long night?   (Check out I Peter 5:8-9)

6. What is significant about Dr. Luke's summary statement on the bottom of page 372?

7. What qualities of our Lord's character are revealed as He is arrested? (p.373)

8. What might be implied by Peter's actions and by the fact the servant's name was Malchus?

9. On pages 374-375, the "trials" of Jesus, Peter and Judas were running concurrently, but with such different results. What was Peter's failure and what was the reason for it?

How was his failure different than the failure of Judas?

Compare and contrast how Peter and Judas dealt with their failure?

10. On pages 376-377, we have John's record of the trial before Pilate. How did Pilate try to spare Jesus from death and how did the Jews counter his efforts?

11. What qualities of Pilate's character are revealed during the trial?

What qualities of our Lord's character are revealed during the trial?

12. As you review this portion of God's inspired Word, what truths do you learn about our humanity....sins to avoid & examples to follow

about our God... His promises to claim & His character to embrace