



# FOLLOWING JESUS

## THE SUBSTITUTE

John 18:33-19:22 | 11.17.24

SUNDAY AM

### REFERENCES

- Luke 23:16-22
- Amos 1:1-6
- II Corinthians 5:21
- Deuteronomy 7:9
- Ecclesiastes 7:20



### APPLICATION

HOW DOES THIS IMPACT ME?

NEXT: Luke 23:34-45

# COMMUNITY GROUPS



## ICEBREAKERS

Can you think of any “least likely” stories in your life that you can share with your group? Perhaps someone who achieved unexpected greatness, or developed a previously unseen talent? Have you ever had to call in a substitute who was able to do a better job than you could do? Perhaps a literal substitute on a team, for work, or even a trainee?

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (ANSWER SCRIPTURALLY):

- 1. Jesus was and is the Sovereign King.**
  - A. Why should this have been significant to the Jewish leaders?
  - B. What significance does this truth have for modern believers?
  - C. What will it be like when Jesus returns to earth as king, and how should that motivate us today?
  
- 2. Barabbas was a known sinner.**
  - A. In what ways does Barabbas resemble us before our salvation?
  - B. What is a healthy way for modern believers to remember where they came from before coming to Christ?
  
- 3. How is the idea of substitution central to the gospel?**
  - A. In what ways does it apply to salvation through Jesus?
  - B. How does this substitution rely on the concept of grace?
  - C. What things do we receive that Jesus deserved?
  
- 4. How can God be fully committed to justice (requiring evil to be paid for) and mercy (allowing the guilty to go free) at the same time?**

## DIGGING DEEPER

Read Isaiah 53. This passage is prophecy about Jesus and his work on the cross. In what ways was Jesus our substitute according to this passage? Why did Jesus need to be our substitute to achieve our salvation?