

9. What are the three sacrifices that we often make when we push our agenda over God's?

- a. The _____ of how God works.
- b. The _____ of who God is.
- c. The _____ of God's greatness.

10. Are there examples of how you have experienced these sacrifices in your own life?

11. Are there any other comments or lessons from the message you want to discuss?

Response – Making it Practical

- 1. What plans are you making right now that need to be run through the filter of how God is leading you?
- 2. How can you better consider God in all your decision making processes?

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Sermon Notes

Scandal – Part 2

Mark 14:53-65

Village Green Community Church

Life Group Study Notes

Study based on Mark 14:53-65 - April 9, 2017

We all make plans. Some of our plans work out and others do not, but how often do we stop to consider what it really costs to turn our plans into reality?

In this message, we discuss the injustice of the trial that proclaimed Jesus to be guilty. In the process we discover some of the sacrifices we often make when we push ahead with our own plans without stopping to consider the plan of God.



Study – Discovering What the Bible Says

1. Describe a time in your life when the plans you made ended up costing you more than you had ever intended.
2. How would you advise someone to “consider the plans of God” when they are making significant life choices? What does this look like?
3. Read **Mark 14:53-65**. What are some of the injustices surrounding Jesus’ trial that you see in these verses?
4. Why is verse 55 so telling about the motivations of the high priest and the religious leaders who conducted this investigation?
5. Read **John 2:18-22** keeping in mind that this passage comes right after Jesus clears the temple (v13-17 for context). What is different about Jesus’ words in John and his accuser’s words in **Mark 14:57-58**?
6. What is so significant about Jesus remaining silent to his accusers? What does it teach you?
7. When the high priest asks Jesus in v.61, “Are you the Messiah?” Jesus replies with three references from scripture. Look up each reference. What did each reference speak to?
 - a. **Exodus 3:14** – His _____
 - b. **Pslam 110:1** – His _____
 - c. **Daniel 7:13-14** – His _____
8. How is blasphemy defined? Is the accusation of blasphemy in this case accurate? Why or why not.