



## **“Jesus Bears Witness”**

Luke 22:63-71

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Questions for Application and Fellowship

### MY STORY

1. The Bible anticipates that Christians will face scoffers in this world. How do we see it taking place? How you faced any scoffers? Have you ever been a scoffer?

### QUICK REVIEW

It’s now hours before the crucifixion of Jesus. The Jewish authorities are advancing their plans to have Him executed. Putting the Gospel accounts together, we find that Jesus faces a series of six trials. Three are at the hands of the religious leadership of Jerusalem, and three take place before the civil authorities. The trials will decide, from a human perspective, the fate of Jesus.

Luke now sets our attention on the third trial before the Sanhedrin, the highest Jewish Council. They are seeking to solidify a charge that will satisfy both Jewish and Roman law of the threat posed by Jesus. In the midst of much scoffing and mockery, Jesus himself provides the testimony they need.

### **Read Luke 22:63-71**

#### **Bearing witness to Himself, Jesus affirms that He is:**

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ – a grave concern to the Romans
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ – a grave concern to the Jews

#### **Following Christ, you may be called to bear witness before:**

1. Those viewing Jesus as a \_\_\_\_\_ (22:63-65)
2. Those viewing Jesus as a \_\_\_\_\_ (22:66-71)

Was any point in this weekend’s message particularly challenging, encouraging or helpful for you?

Why did God want you to hear this message now?

## DIGGING DEEPER

1. Mediate carefully on Daniel 7:9-14. How does this passage shape your perspective on God the Father and His Christ? How does it challenge any notion that God is not judge?

2. What do these passages teach about how Christians should conduct themselves in relation to scoffers?

Psalm 1:1-6

Acts 13:38-41

I Peter 3:1-13

Jude 1:17-23

3. Proceeding to the book of Acts, the religious leaders continue to see the Christian threat now manifested in the growing church. Because of this, they issue threats to the apostles. How did the church respond? How is this a model for us?
4. Jesus was distinct from the religious leaders of His time in His compassion and authority. In what ways can Bethel Grace continue to manifest His mercy and the authority of His truth in today's world?