

**The Gospel of Mark: Responding to Jesus
Power, Authority, & the Witness of Christ**

Mark 14:53-65

Sunday, February 22, 2026

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding” (Proverbs 3:5).

Tempted to quit? You need a word from the Lord.

“Jesus Before the Council” or...

When tempted to give up the fight:

I. Discern real vs. _____ or _____ power and authority (Mark 14:53-54).

When men take matters into their own hands it smells of corruption.

Hey Peter, the majority only appear to be in control. Our God reigns!

II. Beware the great _____ being made to _____ truth (Mark 14:55-59).

“...you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free” (John 8:32).

When your mind is made up, you have an end in mind. And truth may not be welcomed.

Truth cannot be silenced!

Two reasons people genuinely believe lies:

_____ (2 Corinthians 4:4)

_____ (Romans 1:18-32)

Ultimately, it's the absence of the Holy Spirit!

III. _____ the _____ of Jesus Christ (Mark 14:60-65).

Jesus is so in control here!

"The Lord says to my Lord, sit at my right hand until I make your enemies your footstool" (Psalm 110:1).

"For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done" (Matthew 16:27).

Your security is based on Jesus! And he's coming back!

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2. **How much do you know about the Gospel?** Do you have questions about Christianity or your own spiritual condition? If so, please e-mail or call Pastor Gene this week (cell: 864.616.5899 or gene@hhbc.org).
3. Join us Wednesday @ 6:30 PM (Refuel, Student Ministry & Truth Trackers)