

The Cup the Father Has Given Me

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John 18:1-11 ESV The Arrest of Jesus

1 When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the brook Kidron, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. **2** Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. **3** So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. **4** Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, “Whom do you seek?” **5** They answered him, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus said to them, “I am he.” Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. **6** When Jesus said to them, “I am he,” they drew back and fell to the ground. **7** So he asked them again, “Whom do you seek?” And they said, “Jesus of Nazareth.” **8** Jesus answered, “I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go.” **9** This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: “Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one.” **10** Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) **11** So Jesus said to Peter, “Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?”

Chapter 18 — the details of the story tell us much about the sacrifice of Christ for our sins

18:1-11 Jesus death is propitiatory.

Divine and in control, Jesus goes to His death to drink the cup of His Father's wrath.

18:12-27 Jesus' death is substitutionary.

Alone and innocent, Jesus goes to His death in the place of His people.

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