

**March 20, 2022**  
*Walking With Jesus to the Cross:*  
*When Telling the Truth Gets You In Trouble*  
Mark 14:53-65

**In a world of distortion and lies...** (vv. 53-59)

*“Now the chief priests and the whole council were seeking testimony against Jesus to put him to death, but they found none...some stood up and bore false witness against him...” (Mark 14:55, 57).*

*“A false witness will not go unpunished, and he who breathes out lies will perish” (Proverbs 19:9).*

**...never argue the lies and always respond honestly...** (60-62)

*“But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, ‘Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?’ And Jesus said, ‘I am...’” (vv. 61, 62).*

*“God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth” (John 4:24).*

**...even if others condemn you.** (63-65)

*“And the high priest tore his garments and said, ‘What further witnesses do we need? You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?’ And they all condemned him as deserving death” (vv. 63, 64).*

*“If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you” (John 15:8).*

