

"The Judgment of Jesus" Mark 14:53-65 ◆ Pastor Jim Lennon May 7, 2023

Introduction —After Jesus' arrest, He is taken to the Sanhedrin where He will stand trial.

I. Jesus is the Accused.

- A. The Sanhedrin was seeking witnesses to testify against Jesus.
- B. The main accusation against Jesus was that He threatened to destroy the temple.
- C. The Sanhedrin failed to find witnesses, so the High Priest put Jesus on the witness stand and asked Him if He was the Messiah.

II. Jesus is the Judge.

- A. Jesus' answer: "I Am."
- B. Jesus continues by identifying Himself as the "Son of Man," a reference to Daniel chapter 7.
- C. Jesus is not only claiming to be the Messiah, but YHWH, the Judge of all the earth.

III. Jesus, the Condemned.

- A. The Sanhedrin's response to Jesus was explosive!
- B. Jesus intentionally refers to Daniel chapter 7 so we might see the paradox.
- C. Jesus is the Judge who was judged!
- D. This is another picture of the Gospel.
- E. Jesus not only suffers FOR us, He suffers WITH us.

Conclusion.