

Understand your Bible

Suggested notes

Mark 14

What we will see in this chapter:

- Reactions to a woman showing her love for Jesus
- The significance of Jesus' last meal with his disciples
- Events and people's reactions at the arrest and first trial of Jesus

1 Read the chapter

2 Questions to help us in our understanding of this chapter. Look at the chapter verses in your Bible and use the questions to help you make your notes.

Chapter verses	Questions (to help with your notes)	Suggested notes
1 to 3	1. What did the woman do for Jesus?	She poured expensive ointment over his head.
4 to 9	2. What were the different reactions to the woman's actions?	Some were indignant and said, "Why has this ointment been wasted?" Jesus said: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ She has done a good work for me ➤ She has anointed my body before burial ➤ Her actions would be preached as part of the Good News
10 & 11	3. What did one of the disciples do, and who was it?	Judas Iscariot went to the chief priests to betray Jesus to them and looked for a suitable opportunity to do so.
12 to 16	4. How did the disciples know where to prepare the Passover?	They were to go and follow a man carrying a pitcher of water. The house where he went was the place to prepare.
17 to 21	5. What awful news did Jesus tell his disciples about one of them?	He told them "one of you will betray me—he who eats with me." and "it would be better for that man if he had not been born."
22 to 26	6. What did Jesus tell his disciples about the significance of the meal they were having?	Jesus said about the bread, "Take, eat. This is my body." He then took the cup, and said to them, "This is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for many." He then said that he would not drink wine again until the Kingdom of God came.

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27 to 31	7. What did Jesus warn his disciples about?	He warned that all of them would be made to stumble because of him, and that Peter would actually deny him three times.
32 to 34	8. What did Jesus ask his disciples to do?	He asked all of them to sit there while he prayed. He also asked Peter, James and John to "Stay here, and watch."
35 & 36	9. What did Jesus ask God to do for him?	He prayed "Please remove this cup from me. However, not what I desire, but what you desire."
37 to 42	10. What were the disciples doing and what did Jesus say about them?	They all fell asleep. Jesus said "The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."
43 to 47	11. Who came looking for Jesus and what did Judas do?	Judas came from the chief priests, scribes and elders with a large group who were carrying swords and clubs. He called Jesus 'Rabbi' and identified him with a kiss.
48 & 49	12. What did Jesus say about his arrest?	He said they didn't arrest him when he regularly taught in the temple, but that the Scriptures had to be fulfilled.
50 to 52	13. What did the disciples do?	They all forsook him and fled.
53 & 54	14. Where did Peter go to?	Peter followed at a distance to the court of the high priest and sat by a fire.
55 to 59	15. What did the chief priests and council do?	The chief priests tried to find false witnesses against Jesus so they could put him to death.
60 & 61	16. What questions did the high priest ask Jesus?	He first asked Jesus about the testimony of the false witnesses. He then asked if he were "the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?"
62	17. How did Jesus respond?	Jesus remained silent after the first question. In reply to the second, he said "I am. You will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of the sky."

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63 to 65	18. What was the reaction of the chief priests and council?	They all agreed Jesus was worthy of death and some spat on him and hit him.
66 to 72	19. What did Peter do?	Peter denied he knew Jesus on three occasions and then wept.

3 Related theme from v 36: *Jesus does God's will.*

Have a look at these related verses and see this theme. Make a note of the main point(s) in the verse(s).

Verse(s)	Main point(s)
John 4 v 31 to 34	Jesus says that obeying God sustains him like food.
John 5 v 30	Jesus tells his disciples that he seeks to obey God rather than please himself.
John 17 v 4	At the end of his ministry, he is able to say in prayer that he has done what God asked him.