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Was this  
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# Justice in Deuteronomy 16:18-20

Appoint judges and officials for each of your tribes in every town the Lord your God is giving you, and they shall judge the people fairly.

Do not pervert justice or show partiality. Do not accept a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and twists the words of the innocent.

Follow justice and justice alone, so that you may live and possess the land the Lord your God is giving you.



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## Mark 14:43-44

Just as he was speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, appeared. With him was a crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests, the teachers of the law, and the elders.

Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: “The one I kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.”

## Mark 14:48-49

“Am I leading a rebellion,” said Jesus, “that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me? Every day I was with you, teaching in the temple courts, and you did not arrest me. But the Scriptures must be fulfilled.”

## Mark 14:53-55

They took Jesus to the high priest, and all the chief priests, the elders and the teachers of the law came together. Peter followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. There he sat with the guards and warmed himself at the fire.



## Mark 14:53-55

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# Laws governing the Sanhedrin

During the day

In the temple

Public

For a charge

With witnesses

Not on the Sabbath or festival days

One day stand-down before executions

## Mark 14:55-56

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Many testified falsely against him, but their statements did not agree.



# Deuteronomy 19:15-19

One witness is not enough to convict anyone.

A matter must be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.

If a malicious witness takes the stand, the judges must make a thorough investigation.

Do to the false witness as that witness intended to do to the other party.

## Mark 14:57-61

Then some stood up and gave this false testimony against him: “We heard him say, ‘I will destroy this temple made with human hands and in three days will build another, not made with hands.’” Yet even then their testimony did not agree.

## Mark 14:57-61

Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, “Are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?”

But Jesus remained silent and gave no answer.

## Mark 14:61-64

Again the high priest asked him, “Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?”

“I am,” said Jesus. “And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven.”

## Mark 14:61-64

The high priest tore his clothes. “Why do we need any more witnesses?” he asked. “You have heard the blasphemy. What do you think?” They all condemned him as worthy of death.



Mark 14:65 / Matthew 26:68

Then some began to spit at him; they blindfolded him, struck him with their fists, and said, “Prophecy!” And the guards took him and beat him.

“Prophecy to us Messiah, who hit you”

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Jesus was tried and killed unjustly

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To be continued . . .

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