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12 So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound him. 13 First they led him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. 14 It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people.

15 Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the court of the high priest, 16 but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in. 17 The servant girl at the door said to Peter, "You also are not one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." 18 Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself.

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What astounding event happens next? [18:12](#) Why is this so 'unbelievable'? [Mt.26:53-54](#)

What is the first *illegal* step in this 'trial'? [18:13](#); [11:47-53](#); [Mt.26:14-16](#) *see* [18:19, 24](#)

How does this all relate to [11:47-53](#)? [11:47-50, 55-57, 18:14, 31-32, 12:32-33](#)

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Jesus stops any violence by disciples and yields to the 'cup the Father has given Me'.

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Jesus is now arrested by the soldiers and bound! How can they bind the Son of God??

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They took Him to Annas the deposed High Priest, father-in-law of Caiaphas, High Priest.

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The chief priests (plural) planned after raising of Lazarus, to kill Him. Jesus vs nation!

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Peter is recognized by the servant girl and accused as His disciple. Peter denies Him (#1).

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He is standing and warming himself *with* the servants and officers. He was with them!