

Jesus' arrest in all four gospels

MARK 14.43-52

Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was **a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him.** Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those **who stood near** drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to **them**, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was **with you** in the temple **teaching**, and you did not arrest me. But **let** the scriptures be fulfilled." All of them deserted him and fled. **A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.**

MATTHEW 26.47-56

While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a **large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him." At once he came up to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him. Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you are here to do." Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly**, one of those **with Jesus put his hand on his sword**, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him, **"Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?"** At that hour Jesus said to **the crowds**, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I **sat** in the temple **teaching**, and you did not arrest me. **But all this has taken place, so that** the scriptures of **the prophets** may be fulfilled." Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

LUKE 22.47-54

While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and **the one called** Judas, one of the twelve, **was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him, "Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Human One?"** When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, "Lord, should we strike with the sword?" Then one of **them** struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his **right** ear. **But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the temple soldiers and the elders who had come for him, "Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!"** Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. **But Peter was following at a distance.**

JOHN 18.2-12

Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples. So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers **together with soldiers** from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons. Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to him, came forward and asked them, "Whom are you looking for?" They answered, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus replied, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they stepped back and fell to the ground. Again he asked them, "Whom are you looking for?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So if you are looking for me, let these men go." This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken, "I did not lose a single one of those whom you gave me." Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his **right** ear. **The slave's name was Malchus. Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword back into its sheath. Am I not to drink the cup that the Father has given me?"** So the soldiers, their officer, and the Judean soldiers arrested Jesus and bound him.

