

I was born and came into the world to testify to the truth.

Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.

- Jesus (John 18:37)

DISCUSSION

Read John 18: 28 - 40

- 1. What caught your attention in this passage?
- 2. What similarities do you see in this passage to the world we see today?
- 3. What is the purpose of verse 32? Why do you think John included it in his narrative?
- 4. Has there been a time in your life when you wanted to hide from the truth?
- 5. Of the 3 characters Jesus interacts with in this passage— the Jews, Pilate and Barabbas— who do you relate with the most and why?
- 6. Throughout the book of John there is an emphasis on the immanence (Jesus is man and we can replicate his behavior) and transcendence (Jesus is God so we worship) of Jesus. In this passage, which one do you think John is emphasizing? What do you think our response should be to that?

APPLICATION

How can we be a witness to the truth in this polarizing world?

Christ remained calm and his speech was gracious towards those trying to persecute him. How does our speech represent Christ to the world?

Pilate rejects truth.
What are ways you can help others discover truth?

