

## **AMAZING LOVE 01: JOHN 18:1-14: JESUS IS ARRESTED**

*As ever, please use (or discard!) these ideas as is most suitable for your group. Don't feel you have to use everything.*

### **Introduction**

1. How do you feel when someone breaks a commitment to you? How do you feel when you break your commitment to someone else?

### **Please Read John 18:1-14**

2. See Mark 14:31: What had the disciples all promised? What did they actually do when the critical moment arrived?
3. How did Jesus respond to the disciples' failure (vv.8-9)? Why do you think He didn't put pressure on them to fulfil their promise?
4. In what ways have you found yourself failing to live up to your promises to God recently? What does Jesus' reaction reveal about God's heart toward us?
5. What does it look like to be patient with growth in holiness – our own and other people's – without excusing sin?
6. What special care did Jesus show to Peter (vv.10-11)? In what ways have you experienced Jesus saving you from yourself?
7. Who in your circle needs to know both God's unfailing, unconditional love, *and yours*? How will you be a reminder to that person of a love that perseveres and never fails?

### **In conclusion:**

- In what ways have you found yourself failing to live up to your promises (to God) recently? Remember who God is and what He has done for you, and spend some time in confession, thanksgiving and praise.
- Don't be afraid to make a fresh resolve to grow as a Christian – you have a Saviour who is patient when you fall. Pray about a specific "next step" to help you grow.

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