

SEE HIM HIGHER SO THAT YOU LIVE HIGHER

*Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him. But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. Then the chief priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the Sanhedrin. "What are we accomplishing?" they asked. "Here is this man performing many signs. If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and then the Romans will come and take away both our temple and our nation."

John 11:45-57 (NIV)

Then one of them, named Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, spoke up, "You know nothing at all! [™]You do not realize that it is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish." ¹He did not say this on his own, but as high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the Jewish nation, and not only for that nation but also for the scattered children of God, to bring them together and make them one. "So from that day on they plotted to take his life. ³¹Therefore Jesus no longer moved about publicly among the people of Judea.

John 11:45-57 (NIV)

Instead he withdrew to a region near the wilderness, to a village called Ephraim, where he stayed with his disciples. "When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, many went up from the country to Jerusalem for their ceremonial cleansing before the Passover. "They kept looking for Jesus, and as they stood in the temple courts they asked one another, "What do you think? Isn't he coming to the festival at all?" "But the chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders that anyone who found out where Jesus was should report it so that they might arrest him.

John 11:45-57 (NIV)

The Greatest Conflict

Conflict:

- 1. A serious, active disagreement and struggle between two parties
- 2. A clash of opinions, forces and authorities that create a war

The Conflict of Faith In the Savior

^⁴Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him. ^⁴But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done.

John 11:45-46 (NIV)

The Conflict of Faith In the Savior

Some Believed in His Claim:

- 1. To be the Son of God He was Divine
- 2. To be the Lord He was to be Worshipped
- 3. To be the Life He was to be Followed

"⁵⁰You do not realize that it is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish."

John 11:50 (NIV)

²¹For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. ²²For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:21-22 (NIV)

^{¹¹}For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy. - Hebrews 10:14 (NIV)

For by one sacrifice (in the past), he made perfect forever (in the future), those who are being made holy (in the present).

"Distance is a perception on our part that isn't a reality on God's part." - John Lindell

The Conflict was Resolved by God

⁵¹He did not say this on his own, but as high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the Jewish nation, ⁵² and not only for that nation but also for the scattered children of God, to bring them together and make them one.

John 11:51-52 (NIV)