Northwest Bible Church – July 26, 2015 – Worship Service – Alan Conner

**Jn. 18:12-14, 19-24**

*Jesus Before Annas*

Intro

**A. AN OVERVIEW OF JESUS’ TRIAL.**

**B. THE ROLE OF ANNAS, THE HIGH PRIEST (vv. 12-14).**

 1) Annas was the previous high priest.

 2) Both Annas and Caiaphas were high priests (Lk. 3:2; Acts 4:6).

 3) They probably shared the palatial residence.

**C. THE TRIAL BEFORE ANNAS.**

 1) Two issues: His disciples and His teaching (v. 19).

 2) An illegal examination.

 a) Trial by night was illegal.

 b) There was no Jewish legal “preliminary informal hearing”.

 c) The accused was not to be interrogated.

 d) A trial could not be before a single judge. No witnesses before Annas, no formal indictment. There was no legal case against Jesus.

 3) Jesus’ response (vv. 20-21).

 a) Jesus objects to be interrogated.

 b) Jesus admonishes Annas to question witnesses.

 c) Jesus is challenging a high priest

 4) Jesus wrongly struck (vv. 22-24).

LESSONS: