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### The Book of John

Lesson 35 - mocked who?

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Read: John 19: 1-42

**J**ohn 19. Trial before Pilate - In seven stages, passes in and out of the judgment hall:

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| (1) | Outside | John 18:28-32 |
| (2) | Inside  | John 18:33-37 |
| (3) | Outside | John 18:38-40 |
| (4) | Inside  | John 19:1-3   |
| (5) | Outside | John 19:4-7   |
| (6) | Inside  | John 19:8-11  |
| (7) | Outside | John 19:12-16 |

John 19:1. Let us set this up. John 18:38, the end of the verse. *...I find in him no fault at all.* John 19:1. *Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged him.* That makes no sense, why scourge Him? Pilate is a evil man, out of control with power and a wicked government. *.. And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns,* What is our cross-reference? (Genesis 22:13) They platted a crown of thorns. Thicket is an interweaving of thorns *and put it on his head, and they put on him a purple robe, And said, Hail, King of the Jews. and they smote him with their hands.* That is all for mockery. Pilate declares Him king of the Jews and then crowns Him with thorns. Adorns Him with this purple robe. The tabernacle in the Old Testament was the dwelling place of God it was covered by a purple curtain. Standing right there is the dwelling place of God and they place on Him that purple robe.

Verse 4. *Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him.* What a perverse thing. *"I find no fault in Him. Beat Him, whip Him, put a crown of thorns on His head and mock Him."* Pilate is doing all this on the inside of the judgment hall and the Jews are all on the outside. Then he brings Jesus out. *Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man.*

*When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them,* (This is what they had been waiting to hear.) *Take ye him, and crucify him: for I find no fault in him.* That is three times Pilate has said *...I find no fault...* - so they beat Him. *...I find no fault...* they drive a crown of thorns on His brow. *...I find no fault...* - so crucify him. What a sad man. Just less than ten verses earlier, He has an opportunity

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to receive the truth. Look how dark, things become when you do not want the light. The book of John is pretty consistent. If you do not want light, you get darkness. Look how great that darkness became in Pilate's life.

Verse 7. *The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God.* Now, their law called for stoning not crucifixion....*because he made himself the Son of God*, they know what He claimed, they just do not believe it, they are denying Him.

*When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid;* What do we learn from *he was the more afraid*? Pilate had already been afraid. Up to this point, he is scared of Jesus. Is the beating, mockery and all that driven by fear? What is he thinking? "maybe if Jesus was some lunatic raving to be the son of god," I would understand, but this man? Pilate is afraid because His claims seem to perfectly match the man who He claims to be. Could He really be the Son of God?

Verse 9. *And went again into the judgment hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou?* (Where did you come from?) back to chapter 18, verse 38. *Pilate saith unto him, What is truth? And...he went out...* Verse 9. ...*Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer.* You could have had truth; but you did not want truth.

Let us read some verses. *Jesus gave him no answer.* Psalm 38:13. *But I, as a deaf man, heard not; and I was as a dumb man that openeth not his mouth.* The Lord just treated Pilate like He never even heard him speak. Psalm 39:9. *I was dumb, I opened not my mouth; because thou didst it.* This is God's plan. This is God's work. He is not going to say a word. One day the roles will be reversed. One day Pilate will be stand before God at the judgment and Jesus will be sitting as the Judge. Romans 3:19 *Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.* Guess what? One day God was on trial. And He had nothing to say in His own defense. One day the world will be on trial before that same God and they will have nothing to say in their own defense. ...*every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God...* In this hour, He is becoming guilty for the whole world. One day, the whole world will stand guilty before Him. I am glad I am not of the world anymore. Isaiah 52:15. *So shall he sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at him: for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they consider.*

Verse 10. *Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee?* Really Pilate? *Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the*

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**greater sin.** He just said several things. First of all, Pilate you are not in charge here. God is in charge, He is running the show. Secondly. Pilate, you are sinning. The other guy has **the greater sin.** That means you have sin too.

Thirdly, any sin will put you in hell; but some sins are greater than others. This is God speaking. It is a sin to steal a dollar. Stealing a dollar will put you in hell. It is a greater sin to molest a child than to steal a dollar. The Bible does speak about the lowest hell. Deuteronomy 32:22; Psalms 86:13 There were a lot of people complaining in the wilderness, but only one occasion God opened the earth and swallowed men alive straight into the pit with no chance of repentance or opportunity. Over the years there have been several people who have cheated a church, but only two were dropped dead in the auditorium that we know of. All sin is bad. But there are some things that are worse than others. That is what Jesus is saying here. Who has the greater sin, first thought is Judas. But Judas did not bring Jesus to Pilate, the Jews have a greater crime in this matter, a greater guilt in this matter than do the Gentiles. The Gentiles are guilty, but the Jews for four thousand years of God's special dealings with them, they are denying Him. Their sin is greater than yours Pilate.

Now in John, remember – John is presenting the deity of Christ. Jesus is God. There is no crying in Gethsemane, in John the soldiers are falling backward. That is not in the other gospels. This is in John – this is God manifested in the flesh. In John alone, Jesus says, you could have no power over me at all, Pilate. He is God. In John, Jesus does not say, “why hast thou forsaken me?” But He does deliver up His spirit. Many different ways this book of John shows itself to be very different in its approach from the approach of each of the other gospels

Verse 12. ***And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him:*** Pilate is looking for a chance; but do you see how brilliantly the Holy Spirit has written this book? What did you have in chapter 18? Peter had a way of an escape, he did not take it, that sin conceived and brought forth death. Pilate had a way of escape, he did not take it, that sin conceived and brought forth death. He had a chance to get out, now he cannot get out ***...but the Jews cried out, saying, If thou let this man go, thou art not Caesar's friend:*** If you are a Roman governor and you are not Caesar's friend, you are liable to be the next one executed. The Jews are putting political pressure on him.

***...whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Caesar.*** What a mess Pilate has himself in. Pilate is scared of Jesus and he is scared of Caesar, scared of the Jews.

Verse 13. ***When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the***

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**Hebrew, Gabbatha.** The reference to pavement is in Second Kings 16:17. In that place there was a conclusive symbol.. *And king Ahaz cut off the borders of the bases, and removed the laver from off them; and took down the sea from off the brasen oxen that were under it, and put it upon a pavement of stones. And the covert for the sabbath that they had built in the house, and the king's entry without, turned he from the house of the LORD for the king of Assyria.*

This Hebrew king in order to gain favor with the king of Assyria surrenders these holy vessels from the house of the Lord to this ungodly Gentile king to save his own neck. Pilate does the same thing in reverse fashion. Pilate is coming down – Ahaz is coming down to the level of an apostate Gentile power. Pilate is coming down to a level of an apostate Jewish power. Both in the place of a pavement. Pilate is under pressure. He is on the proverbial hot seat.

Verse 14. *And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King.* Now, in verse 5, he said, *Behold the man.* Pilate now says *Behold your King. Behold your King. But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priest answered, We have no king but Caesar.* The Jews just did a number of things. First of all this preparation of the passover in verse 14. What that is, according to Exodus 12:15, the preparation for the passover was a command of God for you to go through your entire house and get all the leaven out of your house. Get all the corruption out of your house, once all the corruption is out of your house, you'll be prepared for the passover. These people saying, we want you to hurry up and crucify an innocent man that we do not like so we can go home and get the leaven out of our houses then we can be holy before God when our special day rolls around. Do you see how dark it gets when you reject the light?

*We have no king but Caesar.* The Jews are making a statement about their own allegiance. But it is a false statement. They do not recognize Caesar as their king. They are running the nation. They are clearly stating that they reject Jesus Christ. In Judges 8, people wanted to make Gideon a king. He had won a great victory for them. Gideon refused. Judges 8:23 *And Gideon said unto them, I will not rule over you, neither shall my son rule over you: the LORD shall rule over you.* In First Samuel 8:7, *And the LORD said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.* Doesn't that sounds like Jesus. That is exactly what is happening right here, we have no king but Caesar.

Verse 16. *Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led him away.* Pilate turns Jesus over to the Jews and they

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with his permission assign his military to crucify a man in whom he finds no fault; just so Caesar will not get a bad report on him. Listen to these words. Psalm 94:20-21. *Shall the throne of iniquity have fellowship with thee, which frameth mischief by a law? They gather themselves together against the soul of the righteous, and condemn the innocent blood.* They are going to use their law (Roman Law) to put to death their Messiah, knowing that He is innocent. Delivering Him for envy. Crucifying Him to save their place and their nation at the cost of their soul. They would rather fellowship with the throne of iniquity, than the Lord Jesus Christ.

Verse 21. *They gather themselves together...* That would be the leaders of Israel, the nation, Pilate, and the Romans – they all get together, just as Psalm 1 and 2 described. And *they gather themselves together against the soul of the righteous...* The soul of the righteous, and offering for sin. The righteous, that is the Lord Jesus Christ. Isaiah 53:10-11 *Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.*

The cross-reference for that passage. is Matthew 27:4. Judas Iscariot, he brings that money back to the priests and after having betrayed the Lord Jesus. Matthew 27:3. *Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned,* (They condemned the soul of the righteous, but as a result they saw that they were condemned or at least Judas saw that.) He *repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed THE innocent blood.* The definite article, **THE**; there is only one man that walked this earth since Adam that had innocent blood and that is the Lord Jesus Christ. Now the new Bibles take out the word, **THE**; and just say, *innocent blood.* That is false teaching. Nobody else has innocent blood. Psalm 94 is a real powerful cross-reference what is taking place here in Pilate's judgment hall.

In Romans 8:32, *He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all...* Pilate may have delivered Jesus to the Jews; but ultimately it was the Father delivering up the Son to die for our sins. In Romans 4:25, *Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.* Jesus submitted Himself to the will of the Father and ultimately to the will of these men in order to bear our offenses and die for our sins.

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**John 18**

1. What does Jesus' answer in verse 37 imply regarding Pilate's knowledge of Him?
2. Why did Jesus come bodily into the world?
3. What is different about Jesus' statement and Pilate's response regarding the truth?
4. What do Pilate's answers reveal about Jesus' statement in verse 37?
5. What does the custom of verse 39 reveal about the moral decline of Israel?
6. What does their choice of Barabbas tell you about the nation?
7. Discuss the relation between Pilate's statement of 18:38 and his actions of verse 19:1.

**John 19**

8. To what does the crown of thorns relate?
9. How does the purple robe relate to the O.T.?
10. Compare verse 3 with Matthew 5:39 and Revelation 19:15 what do these verse teach about the nature, purpose, and differences of the Lord's two comings?

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11. What are the two glaring errors in the statements of verse 7?
  - a.
  - b.
12. Why should Pilate be so fearful to hearing Jesus claim to deity?
13. What do verse 10-11 teach us about God's government on earth?
14. From John 18:38 to 19:16 the trial of Jesus is divided into seven stages marked by Pilate's passing in and out of the judgment hall, list them:
 

1.	2.	3
4.	5.	6.
7.		
15. Explain the following terms as relates to the passage:
 

custom

scourge

plaited

### True/false

- Simon the Cyrene took the cross because Jesus was weak from beatings.
- All sin is bad. But there are some things that are worse than others.
- Pilate was a good man, just a little misguided.



Scripture Memorization; (write these on the back on the sheet,  
Must be in KJV) Psalms 94:21; Isaiah 53:10-11.