

**The Gospel According to John:
The Passion of the Christ**
Lesson 27: Jesus is Sentenced to be Crucified
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Background

Jesus' friends have failed him and His nation is rejecting him. The Lamb of God knows where it will lead.

Jesus is Sentenced to be Crucified (John 18:28-19:16)

► Explore It

1. Why didn't the Jews who lead Jesus to the governor enter the palace? (18:28)
2. How did the Jews introduce Jesus to governor Pilate? (18:28-30)
- * 3. What did Pilate want the Jews to do with Jesus? (18:31)
4. How was prophecy fulfilled by this event? (18:32)
5. What question did Pilate ask Jesus and how did Jesus reply? (18:33-4)
6. What did Jesus tell Pilate about His kingdom? (18:36)
7. What last question did Pilate have for Jesus? (18:38)
- * 8. What choice did Pilate present to the Jews and what did they choose? (18:38-39)
9. What did Pilate and the soldiers do to Jesus? (19:1-3)
10. To what conclusion had Pilate come concerning Jesus? (19:4-5)
11. How did the Jews react when Pilate presented Jesus to them? (19:6)
12. What did Pilate want the Jews to do with Jesus? (19:6)
- * 13. Why did the Jews insist that Jesus had to die? (19:7)
14. How did Pilate respond to the Jews' demands? (19:8-9)
15. What authority did Pilate claim to have? (19:10)
16. What authority did Pilate really have? (19:11)
17. What did Pilate try to do for Jesus? (19:12)
- * 18. How did the Jews pressure Pilate in their demand to crucify Jesus? (19:12)
- * 19. How did Pilate respond to the Jews' pressure tactics? (19:13-16)
20. Whom did the crowd claim as their king? (19:15)

► Get It

21. When have you felt betrayed or used by people hiding behind religious motives?
- * 22. When have you been willing to stand your ground regardless of the consequences?
- * 23. Why might we allow the pressures of the moment to compromise our beliefs?

► Apply It

- * 24. In what settings might you need to stand up for truth regardless of consequences?
 25. How can you use your status or position of power to do right and help others?
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Related Questions

- * Why did the Jews change the charge against Jesus when they took him to Pilate?
- * Pilate asked "What is truth?" (18:38). What could he have learned from Jesus' prayer (17:17)?
- * What were the pressures on Pilate and how is he viewed today? Why does "hard choice" = "right choice"?