

# Harmony of the Gospels

## Week 23

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# 125 Jesus tried by Annas

**John 18:12-14, 19-23**

**12** So the *Roman* cohort and the commander and the officers of the Jews, arrested Jesus and bound Him,

**13** and led Him to Annas first; for he was father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year.

**14** Now Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jews that it was expedient for one man to die on behalf of the people.

# 125 Jesus tried by Annas

## John 18:19-23

19 The high priest then questioned Jesus about His disciples, and about His teaching.

20 Jesus answered him, “I have spoken openly to the world; I always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews come together; and I spoke nothing in secret.

21 “Why do you question Me? Question those who have heard what I spoke to them; they know what I said.”

22 When He had said this, one of the officers standing nearby struck Jesus, saying, “Is that the way You answer the high priest?”

23 Jesus answered him, “If I have spoken wrongly, testify of the wrong; but if rightly, why do you strike Me?”

# 126 Jesus tried by Caiaphas and the Sanhedrin

## **Matt. 26:57-58**

57 Those who had seized Jesus led Him away to Caiaphas, the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were gathered together.

58 But Peter was following Him at a distance as far as the courtyard of the high priest, and entered in, and sat down with the officers to see the outcome.

## **Mark 14:53**

53 They led Jesus away to the high priest; and all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes gathered together.

## **Luke 22:54**

54 Having arrested Him, they led Him away and brought Him to the house of the high priest; but Peter was following at a distance.

## **John 18:24**

24 So Annas sent Him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

# 126 Jesus tried by Caiaphas and the Sanhedrin

## Matt. 26:59-68

59 Now the chief priests and the whole Council kept trying to obtain false testimony against Jesus, so that they might put Him to death.

60 They did not find *any*, even though many false witnesses came forward. But later on two came forward,

61 and said, “This man stated, ‘I am able to destroy the temple of God and to rebuild it in three days.’”

62 The high priest stood up and said to Him, “Do You not answer? What is it that these men are testifying against You?”

63 But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest said to Him, “I adjure You by the living God, that You tell us whether You are the Christ, the Son of God.”

## Mark 14:55-65

55 Now the chief priests and the whole Council kept trying to obtain testimony against Jesus to put Him to death, and they were not finding *any*.

56 For many were giving false testimony against Him, but their testimony was not consistent.

57 Some stood up and *began* to give false testimony against Him, saying,

58 “We heard Him say, ‘I will destroy this temple made with hands, and in three days I will build another made without hands.’”

59 Not even in this respect was their testimony consistent.

60 The high priest stood up *and came* forward and questioned Jesus, saying, “Do You not answer? What is it that these men are testifying against You?”

## Luke 22:63-71

63 Now the men who were holding Jesus in custody were mocking Him and beating Him,

64 and they blindfolded Him and were asking Him, saying, “Prophecy, who is the one who hit You?”

65 And they were saying many other things against Him, blaspheming

66 When it was day, the Council of elders of the people assembled, both chief priests and scribes, and they led Him away to their council *chamber*, saying,

# 126 Jesus tried by Caiaphas and the Sanhedrin

## Matt. 26:59-68

64 Jesus said to him, "You have said it *yourself*; nevertheless I tell you, hereafter *you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven.*"

65 Then the high priest tore his robes and said, "He has blasphemed! What further need do we have of witnesses? *Behold, you have now heard the blasphemy;*

66 *what do you think?" They answered, "He deserves death*

67 *Then they spat in His face and beat Him with their fists; and others slapped*

Him,  
68 *and said, "Prophecy to us, You Christ; who is the one who hit You?"*

## Mark 14:55-65

61 But He kept silent and did not answer. Again the high priest was questioning Him, and saying to Him, "Are You the Christ, the Son of the Blessed *One?*"

62 And Jesus said, "I am; and *you shall see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.*"

63 Tearing his clothes, the high priest said, "What further need do we have of witnesses?"

64 *"You have heard the blasphemy; how does it seem to you?" And they all condemned Him to be deserving of death.*

65 *Some began to spit at Him, and to blindfold Him, and to beat Him with their fists, and to say to Him, "Prophecy!" And the officers received Him with slaps *in the face.**

## Luke 22:63-71

67 "If You are the Christ, tell us." But He said to them, "If I tell you, you will not believe;

68 and if I ask a question, you will not answer.

69 *"But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God."*

70 And they all said, "Are You the Son of God, then?" And He said to them, "Yes, I am."

71 Then they said, "What further need do we have of testimony? For we have heard it ourselves from His own mouth."

# 127 Peter denies the Lord 3 times

## Matt. 26:69-75

69 Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard, and a **servant-girl came to him and said, "You too were with Jesus the Galilean."**

70 But he denied *it* before them all, saying, "I do not know what you are talking about."

71 When he had gone out to the gateway, another *servant-girl* saw him and said to those who were there, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth."

72 And again he denied *it* with an oath, "I do not know the man."

73 A little later the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Surely you too are *one* of them; for even the way you talk gives you away."

74 Then he began to curse and swear, "I do not know the man!" And immediately a rooster crowed.

75 **And Peter remembered the word which Jesus had said, "Before a rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.**

## Mark 14:66-72

66 As Peter was below in the courtyard, **one of the servant-girls of the high priest came,**

**67 and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him and \*said, "You also were with Jesus the Nazarene."**

68 But he denied *it*, saying, "I neither know nor understand what you are talking about." And he went out onto the porch.

69 **The servant-girl saw him, and began once more to say to the bystanders, "This is *one* of them!"**

70 But again he denied it. **And after a little while the bystanders were again saying to Peter, "Surely you are *one* of them, for you are a Galilean too."**

71 But he began to curse and swear, "I do not know this man you are talking about!"

72 **Immediately a rooster crowed a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had made the remark to him, "Before a rooster crows twice, you will deny Me three times." And he began to weep.**

## Luke 22:54-62

54 Having arrested Him, they led Him away and brought Him to the house of the high priest; but Peter was following at a distance.

55 After they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter was sitting among them.

56 **And a servant-girl, seeing him as he sat in the firelight and looking intently at him, said, "This man was with Him too."**

57 But he denied *it*, saying, "Woman, I do not know Him."

58 **A little later, another saw him and said, "You are *one* of them too!" But Peter said, "Man, I am not!"**

59 After about an hour had passed, another man *began* to insist, saying, "Certainly this man also was with Him, for he is a Galilean too."

60 But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about." Immediately, while he was still speaking, a rooster crowed.

61 The Lord turned and looked at Peter.

**And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had told him, "Before a rooster crows today, you will deny Me three times."**

62 **And he went out and wept bitterly.**

## John 18:25-27

25 Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, "You are not also *one* of His disciples, are you?" He denied *it*, and said, "I am not."

26 **One of the slaves of the high priest, being a relative of the one whose ear Peter cut off, \*said, "Did I not see you in the garden with Him?"**

27 **Peter then denied *it* again, and immediately a rooster crowed.**



# 128 Jesus led to Pilate

## **Matt. 27:1-2**

1 Now when morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus to put Him to death;

2 and they bound Him, and led Him away and delivered Him to Pilate the governor.

## **Mark 15:1**

1 Early in the morning the chief priests with the elders and scribes and the whole Council, immediately held a consultation; and binding Jesus, they led Him away and delivered Him to Pilate.

## **Luke 23:1**

1 Then the whole body of them got up and brought Him before Pilate.

## **John 18:28-29**

28 Then they \*led Jesus from Caiaphas into the Praetorium, and it was early; and they themselves did not enter into the Praetorium so that they would not be defiled, but might eat the Passover.

29 Therefore Pilate went out to them and \*said, "What accusation do you bring against this Man?"

# 129 Jesus before Pilate for the first time

## **Matt. 27:11-14**

11 Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor questioned Him, saying, "Are You the King of the Jews?" And Jesus said to him, "*It is as you say.*"

12 And while He was being accused by the chief priests and elders, He did not answer.

13 Then Pilate said to Him, "Do You not hear how many things they testify against You?"

14 And He did not answer him with regard to even a *single* charge, so the governor was quite amazed.

## **Mark 15:2-5**

2 Pilate questioned Him, "Are You the King of the Jews?" And He answered him, "*It is as you say.*"

3 The chief priests *began* to accuse Him harshly.

4 Then Pilate questioned Him again, saying, "Do You not answer? See how many charges they bring against You!"

5 But Jesus made no further answer; so Pilate was amazed.

## **Luke 23:2-5**

2 And they began to accuse Him, saying, "We found this man misleading our nation and forbidding to pay taxes to Caesar, and saying that He Himself is Christ, a King."

3 So Pilate asked Him, saying, "Are You the King of the Jews?" And He answered him and said, "*It is as you say.*"

4 Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no guilt in this man."

5 But they kept on insisting, saying, "He stirs up the people, teaching all over Judea, starting from Galilee even as far as this place."

## **John 18:28-38**

28 Then they \*led Jesus from Caiaphas into the Praetorium, and it was early; and they themselves did not enter into the Praetorium so that they would not be defiled, but might eat the Passover.

29 Therefore Pilate went out to them and \*said, "What accusation do you bring against this Man?"

30 They answered and said to him, "If this Man were not an evildoer, we would not have delivered Him to you."

31 So Pilate said to them, "Take Him yourselves, and judge Him according to your law." The Jews said to him, "We are not permitted to put anyone to death,"

32 to fulfill the word of Jesus which He spoke, signifying by what kind of death He was about to die.

33 Therefore Pilate entered again into the Praetorium, and summoned Jesus and said to Him, "Are You the King of the Jews?"

# 129 Jesus before Pilate for the first time

Matt. 27:11-14

Mark 15:2-5

Luke 23:2-5

John 18:28-38

34 Jesus answered, "Are you saying this on your own initiative, or did others tell you about Me?"

35 Pilate answered, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests delivered You to me; what have You done?"

36 Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, then My servants would be fighting so that I would not be handed over to the Jews; but as it is, My kingdom is not of this realm."

37 Therefore Pilate said to Him, "So You are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say *correctly* that I am a king. For this I have been born, and for this I have come into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice."

38 Pilate *said* to Him, "What is truth?" **And** when he had said this, he went out again to the Jews and *said* to them, "I find no guilt in Him.

# 130 Jesus before Herod

## Luke 23:6-12

6 When Pilate heard it, he asked whether the man was a Galilean.

7 And when he learned that He belonged to Herod's jurisdiction, he sent Him to Herod, who himself also was in Jerusalem at that time.

8 Now Herod was very glad when he saw Jesus; for he had wanted to see Him for a long time, because he had been hearing about Him and was hoping to see some sign performed by Him.

9 And he questioned Him at some length; but He answered him nothing.

10 And the chief priests and the scribes were standing there, accusing Him vehemently.

11 And Herod with his soldiers, after treating Him with contempt and mocking Him, dressed Him in a gorgeous robe and sent Him back to Pilate.

12 Now Herod and Pilate became friends with one another that very day; for before they had been enemies with each other.

# 131 Pilate condemns Jesus

## Matt. 27:15-30

15 Now at *the* feast the governor was accustomed to release for the people *any* one prisoner whom they wanted.

16 At that time they were holding a notorious prisoner, called Barabbas.

17 So when the people gathered together, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you? Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?"

18 For he knew that because of envy they had handed Him over.

19 While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent him a *message*, saying, "Have nothing to do with that righteous Man; for last night I suffered greatly in a dream because of Him."

20 But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to put Jesus to death.

## Mark 15:6-19

6 Now at *the* feast he used to release for them *any* one prisoner whom they requested.

7 The man named Barabbas had been imprisoned with the insurrectionists who had committed murder in the insurrection.

8 The crowd went up and began asking him *to do* as he had been accustomed to do for them.

9 Pilate answered them, saying, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"

10 For he was aware that the chief priests had handed Him over because of envy.

11 But the chief priests stirred up the crowd *to ask* him to release Barabbas for them instead.

## Luke 23:13-25

13 Pilate summoned the chief priests and the rulers and the people,  
14 and said to them, "You brought this man to me as one who incites the people to rebellion, and behold, having examined Him before you, I have found no guilt in this man regarding the charges which you make against Him.

15 "No, nor has Herod, for he sent Him back to us; and behold, nothing deserving death has been done by Him.

16 "Therefore I will punish Him and release Him.

## John 18:39-19:16

39 "But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover; do you wish then that I release for you the King of the Jews?"

40 So they cried out again, saying, "Not this Man, but Barabbas." Now Barabbas was a robber.

## Chapter 19

1 Pilate then took Jesus and scourged Him.

2 And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on His head, and put a purple robe on Him;

3 and they *began* to come up to Him and say, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and to give Him slaps *in the face*.

4 Pilate came out again and *said* to them, "Behold, I am bringing Him out to you so that you may know that I find no guilt in Him."

5 Jesus then came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe.

# 131 Pilate condemns Jesus

## Matt. 27:15-30

21 But the governor said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas."

22 Pilate \*said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all \*said, "Crucify Him!"

23 And he said, "Why, what evil has He done?" But they kept shouting all the more, saying, "Crucify Him!"

24 When Pilate saw that he was accomplishing nothing, but rather that a riot was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this Man's blood; see *to that* yourselves."

25 And all the people said, "His blood shall be on us and on our children!"

26 Then he released Barabbas for them; but after having Jesus scourged, he handed Him over to be crucified.

## Mark 15:6-19

12 Answering again, Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Him whom you call the King of the Jews?"

13 They shouted back, "Crucify Him!"

14 But Pilate said to them, "Why, what evil has He done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify Him!"

15 Wishing to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas for them, and after having Jesus scourged, he handed Him over to be crucified.

16 The soldiers took Him away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium), and they called together the whole *Roman* cohort.

17 They \*dressed Him up in purple, and after twisting a crown of thorns, they put it on Him;

18 and they began to acclaim Him, "Hail, King of the Jews!"

19 They kept beating His head with a reed, and spitting on Him, and kneeling and bowing before Him.

## Luke 23:13-25

17 [Now he was obliged to release to them at the feast one prisoner.]

18 But they cried out all together, saying, "Away with this man, and release for us Barabbas!"

19 (He was one who had been thrown into prison for an insurrection made in the city, and for murder.)

20 Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again, 21 but they kept on calling out, saying, "Crucify, crucify Him!"

## John 18:39-19:16

6 So when the chief priests and the officers saw Him, they cried out saying, "Crucify, crucify!" Pilate \*said to them, "Take Him yourselves and crucify Him, for I find no guilt in Him."

7 The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and by that law He ought to die because He made Himself out *to be* the Son of God."

8 Therefore when Pilate heard this statement, he was *even* more afraid;

9 and he entered into the Praetorium again and \*said to Jesus, "Where are You from?" But Jesus gave him no answer.

10 So Pilate said to Him, "You do not speak to me? Do You not know that I have authority to release You, and I have authority to crucify You?"

11 Jesus answered, "You would have no authority over Me, unless it had been given you from above; for this reason he who delivered Me to you has *the* greater sin."

# 131 Pilate condemns Jesus

Matt. 27:15-30

## Mark 15:6-19

### Luke 23:13-25

22 And he said to them the third time, "Why, what evil has this man done? I have found in Him no guilt *demanding* death; therefore, I will punish Him and release Him."

23 But they were insistent, with loud voices asking that He be crucified. And their voices *began* to prevail.

24 And Pilate pronounced sentence that their demand be granted.

25 And he released the man they were asking for who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, but he delivered Jesus to their will.

## John 18:39-19:16

12 As a result of this Pilate made efforts to release Him, but the Jews cried out saying, "If you release this Man, you are no friend of Caesar; everyone who makes himself out *to be* a king opposes Caesar."

13 Therefore when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out, and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Pavement, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha.

14 Now it was the day of preparation for the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. And he *said* to the Jews, "Behold, your King!"

15 So they cried out, "Away with *Him*, away with *Him*, crucify Him!" Pilate *said* to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar."

16 So he then handed Him over to them to be crucified.