

John 19:1-16 – Jesus Before Pilate

Read John 19:1-16.

Why did Pilate have Jesus flogged after he proclaimed that he did not find any guilt in Jesus? (19:1)

What is the significance of the crown of thorns and the purple robe? (19:2)

Pilate had declared that Jesus was innocent. Why did the soldiers strike Jesus? (19:3)

For the second time, Pilate pronounced that he found no guilt in Jesus. What is the significance of Pilate's statement "Behold the man"? (19:4-5)

Who cried out "crucify him, crucify him"? How did Pilate respond to their cries? Why did Pilate at first resist their cries for crucifixion? (19:6)

The Jewish leaders finally revealed the reason why they wanted Jesus killed? What was the reason? (19:7)

How did Pilate respond when he heard that Jesus "had made himself the Son of God"? (19:8)

Why did Pilate ask Jesus where he was from? How did Jesus respond to Pilate's question? (19:9)

Pilate told Jesus that he had authority to release him or to crucify him. How did Jesus respond to Pilate? The words "from above" is the same word that is found in John 3 which is often translated "again". (19:10-11)

Who had the greater sin, Pilate or the Jewish leaders? (19:11)

Why did Pilate want to release Jesus? (19:12)

In verse 12, how did the Jewish leaders put pressure on Pilate to crucify Jesus?

In verse 13, Pilate was finally ready to pronounce his verdict. What day was it? What time was it? (19:13-14)

Pilate had previously announced Jesus with "Behold the man." For the final time, Pilate announced Jesus with "Behold your king". How did the people respond to Pilate's announcement? (19:14-15)

Pilate made one last effort to let Jesus go. He asked the people if they really wanted him to crucify their king. How did the chief priests respond? Were the chief priests usually strong supporters of Caesar? (19:15)

Why did Pilate finally hand Jesus over to be crucified? (19:16)