

Introduction

Would Flogging Be Enough? (19:1-4)

¹ So then Pilate took Jesus and had Him flogged.

² Also those soldiers braided from thorns a crown, put it on His head, and put a purple robe on Him.

³ And they were saying, "Hail, King of the Judeans." And they were striking Him.

⁴ So Pilate went outside again and told them, "Look, I bring Him outside to you•, so you• may know that I find no charge in Him."

Behold the Man! (19:5-7)

⁵ So Jesus came outside wearing the thorny crown and the purple robe. And *Pilate* told them, "Look, the man."

^{6a} So when the chief priests and the deputies saw Him, they shouted, saying, "Crucify. Crucify Him."

^{6b} Pilate told them, "You• take Him yourselves• and crucify *Him*, because I find in Him no charge."

⁷ Those Judean *leaders* answered him, "We have a law, and according to our law He should die, because He made Himself *the* Son of God."

Pilate and the Son of God! (19:8-12a)

⁸ So when Pilate heard this word, he became exceedingly fearful,

⁹ and he entered the Palace again and said to Jesus, "Where are You from?" But Jesus did not give him an answer.

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

¹¹ Jesus replied, "You would not have authority against Me at all, except it was given to you from above. Thus, the one who handed Me over to you has a greater sin."

^{12a} From that moment Pilate was seeking to release Him.

Friend of Caesar? (19:12b-16a)

12a But those Judean *leaders* shouted, saying, "If you should release this one, you are not Caesar's friend. Everyone who makes himself a king speaks against Caesar."

13 So when Pilate heard this word, he brought Jesus outside and sat on the judgment seat in a place called *the Stone Pavement*, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha.

14 Now it was preparation *day for the Sabbath* during Passover *week*. Now it was about the sixth hour. Then he said to those Judean *leaders*, "Look, your • king."

15 But they shouted, "Take *Him* away. Take *Him* away. Crucify Him." Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your • king?" The chief priests answered, "We do not have a king except Caesar."

16a So then he handed Him over to the *soldiers*, so He might be crucified.

Pilate's Inscription on the Cross (19:16b-22)

16b *Soldiers* took Jesus and led Him *away*.

17 And carrying His cross, He went out to a place called *the Place of a Skull*, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha,

18 where they crucified Him, and two others with Him, one on each side, with Jesus in the midst.

19 Now Pilate also *had* a notice lettered and put *it* on the cross. Now it was written: "Jesus the Nazarene, the King of the Judeans."

20 Therefore many of the Judeans read this notice, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city. And it was written in Hebrew, Greek, *and* Latin.

21 So the chief priests of the Judeans said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Judeans,' but, 'He said, 'I am the King of the Judeans.''"

22 Pilate replied, "What I have written, I have written."

Conclusion