

MATTHEW 27:1-50

1. In the morning after Jesus' arrest, which Jewish rulers delivered Him over to Pontius Pilate?

2. Judas, one of Jesus' apostles, "was remorseful" for his betrayal of Jesus (27:3-10).
 - a. What reason did he provide the chief priests and elders for returning their money?

 - b. What did Judas do after throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple?

 - c. What conclusion did the chief priests reach about the use of this 'blood money,' and what did they purchase with it?

3. Jesus stood before Pilate the governor (27:11-26).
 - a. What brought Pilate to 'marvel greatly'?

 - b. At the time of the Passover feast the governor was accustomed to release one prisoner. What two men did he propose for the multitude to choose from?

 - c. What or who persuaded the multitudes to not choose Jesus? And what did the multitudes cry out to be done to Jesus?

 - d. During these proceedings, what message did Pilate's wife sent to him?

 - e. According to Pilate, what did his washing his hands signify?

 - f. What did Pilate have done to Jesus upon delivering Him to be crucified?

4. What things did Pilate' soldiers do in their mockery of Jesus? (27:27-32)

5. What was Simon of Cyrene compelled to do?

6. The soldiers marched Jesus to Golgotha, "Place of a skull" (27:33-44). It was the third hour of the day (about 9am) (see Mark 15:25).
 - a. What drink did Jesus refuse?

 - b. Upon crucifying Jesus, what did the soldiers do with Jesus' garments?

 - c. What was written above Jesus' head?

 - d. Who was crucified with Jesus, on his right and left hand?

 - e. What verbal abuses did Jesus suffer during this ordeal, and from who?

7. Darkness enveloped the land from the sixth to ninth hour (noon to 3pm) (27:45-50).
 - a. What words did Jesus cry out at the ninth hour, and what did Matthew give as their translation?

 - b. When some thought Jesus was "calling for Elijah," what verbal abuse did "the rest" offer up?