

The Two Treatises

Lesson 23

The "Trial," Crucifixion, & Burial Luke 23



Introduction

The Jews have been up all night "building their case" against Jesus. Having completed their murderous plans, and unable to execute Jesus themselves (**Jn. 18:28-31**), they take Him before Pontius Pilate for "formal sentencing" (**v. 1**). Jesus also appears before Herod Antipas before Pilate grants the Jews what they had wanted for a long time – Jesus' death. How gleeful Jesus' enemies must have been by 3:00 p.m. on Friday...how deep in despair His followers must have been in that same hour.

Jesus Before Pilate – Part 1 (23:1-7)

- 1) What were the "charges" against Jesus? (**v. 2**; cp. **20:22-26**)

- 2) What was Pilate's question? (**v. 3a**) How did Jesus answer? (**v. 3b**) What did Pilate conclude? (**v. 4**) How did the Jews respond? (**v. 5**)

- 3) What did Pilate see as an "out" of this political predicament? (**vv. 6-7**)

Jesus Before Herod (23:8-12)

- 4) How did Herod react when he was "given" Jesus? (**v. 8**) What else did Herod do? (**v. 9a**) How did Jesus comply? (**v. 9b**) Had the Jews changed their tactics? (**v. 10**)

- 5) How was Jesus treated while before Herod? (**v. 11**) What resulted in the "political relations" between Pilate and Herod? (**v. 12**)

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Jesus Before Pilate – Part 2 (23:13-25)

- 6) What does Pilate do in vv. 13-16? What other “factor” was at work during these proceedings? (v. 17) Who else became involved in Pilate’s dilemma? (vv. 18-19)

- 7) What did Pilate want to do? (vv. 20-22) What was his problem? (vv. 21, 23; cp. Jn. 19:12, 15) What did Pilate finally do? (vv. 24-25)

- 8) What time on Friday was it? (Jn. 19:14)

The Crucifixion (23:26-49)

- 9) What is recorded in v. 26? Why was this obviously necessary? (Jn. 19:1)

- 10) What is recorded in v. 27? How did Jesus respond to this? (vv. 28-31) To what do you think His words refer? Who was in the same predicament as Jesus? (v. 32) Any prophetic significance?

- 11) Where did they arrive and what happened? (v. 33) What time is it? (Mk. 15:25) What did Jesus say? (v. 34a) What else happened? (v. 34b) Any prophetic significance?

- 12) Describe the crowd. (vv. 35-37) What was placed on the cross? (v. 38)

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- 13) What is recorded in vv. 39-43? (cp. Mt. 27:44) How have these passages been mistakenly used by many?

- 14) What is recorded in vv. 44-45? Was there any significance to the veil being torn? Which "veil" was this?

- 15) What were Jesus' last words according to Luke? (v. 46) How did the centurion on watch react? (v. 47) How did the multitudes react? (v. 48) What did Jesus' followers do? (v. 49)

The Burial (23:50-56)

- 16) Who is described in vv. 50-51? What was his request? (vv. 52-53) Any prophetic significance?

- 17) When did these events take place? (v. 54)

- 18) Who is described in vv. 55-56? What did they intend to do?