

John 308 “The Military Giant Blue Collar Administrator Falls Short” John 19:12-14
HIS HOUR HAS COME!

The Creator Himself, the Lord Jesus Christ has appeared to His creation only to be rejected and condemned to die but how can anyone despise Jesus Who came here not to condemn the world but to save it? Jeremiah 17:9

The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?

Yes, the Creator came to walk among His creation throughout Judea but could His creation observe Him without a blatant reflection, like that of a clear mirror in their souls exposing their own wicked hearts?

Innocent Jesus stood before Pilate and His impeccable character exposed the sinfulness and dire need of the Jewish leaders which they refused to acknowledge.

Unfortunately for them, far too many people have a preconceived view of this world that keeps them from giving the Gospel a fair hearing and evaluation.

Ironically, the Lord Jesus was actually the best friend Rome ever had but religion lies and lies again because the devil is the father of lies.

And now, Pilate’s ambition will overcome his sense of duty and convictions in this matter.

True moral courage does not give in to external pressure.

The harder Pilate tried to keep his job, the harder it became to do so!

For any leader, this type of compromise destroys authority.

In life, Pontius Pilate regarded the Lord Jesus as relatively unimportant but Jesus was the only person who could have saved him and more than likely, he’ll have eternity to think about it.

The true solution to governor Pilate’s dilemma was simply to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.

God the Father used the negative attitudes of the governor, the Sanhedrin and the king to provide eternal salvation for those who had a positive attitude toward His Son.

And all who chose to reject His Son are in Hell today but all who responded to Him are in Heaven.

One of the worst things a leader can ever do is to listen to the demands of an emotional unruly mob.

Religion is man by man’s efforts seeking to gain the attention of fellow man first and by doing so, gain the ultimate attention of God in the process.

To the extent that any Christian is religious, he has failed miserably.

From eternity past, God knew of the eventual dilemma of Pilate and He used it to provide a remedy for the sins of the world!

The governor became subjective by listening to the angry crowd and then he became their errand boy and finally he lost his authority completely.

Jesus will go to the Cross to pay for our salvation and all who reject Him will not have to see Him anymore.

The innocent Jesus Christ went to the Cross, while the guilty Barabbas led a crime wave.

The Preparation occurred at night as it did during the first Passover to commemorate the slaughter of the first-born Egyptians.

Even still with all of his opposition, we see Pilate grasping for his governorship duty in maintaining objectivity in the judgment of Jesus.