

Every Sinner's Questions

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Matthew 27:11-14

- Ecc. 1:9 “That which has been is what will be, That which is done is what will be done, And there is nothing new under the sun.”
- This is true regarding questions about Jesus.
- Many questions were asked of Him while He walked upon the earth.
- The questions asked by Pilate provide a good summary.

Are You the King of the Jews?

- Mat. 27:11; Mk. 15:2; Lk. 23:3; Jn. 18:33.
- Jn. 18:33-37 – John recorded the more complete answer – His “kingdom is not of this world” & “for this cause I was born”
- Lk. 17:20-21 “...for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.”
- Acts 1 & 2 – Established in Jerusalem, ~ A.D. 33.
- Compare Col. 3:15; 1 Pet. 2:5.

Do You Hear the Charges Against You?

- Mat. 27:13 “Mat 27:13 Then Pilate said to Him, "Do You not hear how many things they testify against You?"”
- False witnesses were sought – Mat. 26:59-61; Mk. 14:56-57 – perverting the nation, defrauding Caesar of taxes, setting up a competing kingdom, making Himself king.
- Jn. 18:28-30 – They had already condemned Him!
- The lies haven't changed in 2,000 years.

What Is Truth?

- Jn. 18:37-38 – A question still being debated by philosophers – Pilate did not bother to wait for an answer!
- Jn. 1:17 – Truth came by Jesus Christ.
- Jn. 8:31-32 – Truth can be known.
- Jn. 17:17 – God's word is truth.
- Eph. 1:13 – The Gospel is the word of truth and salvation.
- God's word has never been proven wrong!

Where are You From?

- Jn. 19:9 – Perhaps meaning, is Jesus divine or merely human?
- His divinity is the only basis for His answer in Jn. 19:10-11.
- It is not known if Pilate got the point, but His desire to free Jesus proves that he knew Jesus was innocent.
- Jn. 8:42; 16:27; Phil. 2:5-8 – He came from & was equal with God.
- Jn.16:28 – He came from & returned to the Father!

What Shall I Do with Jesus?

- Mat. 27:22 – Pilate's dilemma was worldly.
- Jn. 1:11 – He was rejected by His own.
- Mat. 12:24 – He was discredited as serving Satan.
- Mat. 22:15; Mk. 12:13 – Others sought to ensnare Him in His words.
- Mat. 26:15-16 – Judas betrayed Him for money (cf. 1 Tim. 6:10).
- Mat. 26:69-75 – Peter denied Him.
- Mat. 27:27-42 – Gentiles and Jews mocked Him.
- Mat. 27:24 – Pilate tried neutrality (cf. Mat. 12:30).
- Acts 2:41 – But others obeyed Him!

Decision...

- There are no new questions about Jesus, and the Gospel answers every one of them.
- So, what will you do with Jesus?
- There are only two answers to the question...
- Obedience – Heb. 5:8-9 or Rejection – Jn. 12:48.
- Now is the day of salvation – 2 Cor. 6:6.
- Will you wash your hands of Him, or will you be washed by Him? – 1 Cor. 6:11; Rev. 1:5.

Col 3:15 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful.

1Pe 2:5 you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

Joh 18:28 Then they led Jesus from Caiaphas to the Praetorium, and it was early morning. But they themselves did not go into the Praetorium, lest they should be defiled, but that they might eat the Passover.

Joh 18:29 Pilate then went out to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this Man?"

Joh 18:30 They answered and said to him, "If He were not an evildoer, we would not have delivered Him up to you."

Joh 19:10 Then Pilate said to Him, "Are You not speaking to me? Do You not know that I have power to crucify You, and power to release You?"

Joh 19:11 Jesus answered, "You could have no power at all against Me unless it had been given you from above. Therefore the one who delivered Me to you has the greater sin."

Joh 8:42 Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me.

Joh 16:28 I came forth from the Father and have come into the world. Again, I leave the world and go to the Father."

Mat 12:30 He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad.

Rev 1:5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood,