

Community Group Homework Questions

1. Read Luke 23:1–7. What is one key takeaway for you from last Sunday’s sermon on this passage?
2. Read John 12:32 and 18:31–32. God was in sovereign control of Jesus’ death generally, but He was also in sovereign control of the specific details of Jesus’ death (including the fact that He would die by crucifixion). God exercises the same sovereign control over every detail of our lives. How does this reality comfort or encourage you in your current circumstances?
3. Read Luke 23:4. Pilate declared that Jesus was innocent, yet he didn’t release Him out of fear of the Jews’ response. As Pastor Bryan stated, “Pilate was more concerned about being popular with people than he was about being true to the Lord Jesus.” How can we be like Pilate in this way? Why is it so easy for us to be more concerned with popularity than being true to Jesus?
4. How should we think and act in order to please the Lord in moments we are tempted to be more concerned with popularity than being true to Jesus?
5. Share one highlight from community group this spring.

THE DILEMMA OF WHAT TO DO WITH JESUS

Luke 23:1-7

Series #135

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **“The Dilemma of What to Do With Jesus.”** All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. Critics of the Bible assume that any differences in accounts in Scripture means what?
2. When studying the gospel accounts, it is important to remember that each author had what in his presentation?
3. Luke 23:1-7 records which trial before Pontius Pilate?
4. Which gospel writer is clear that Jesus had two trials before Pilate?
5. Review: How many trials did Jesus go through?
6. Luke delineates the trial before what group?
7. What is an example of a law that was completely shattered in the trial before the Sanhedrin?
8. The Jews knew that the Romans would agree with killing Jesus because of what?
9. What charge against Jesus did the Jews bring to Pilate?

10. "The whole multitude" refers to what group?
11. What one man in the Sanhedrin disagreed with the decision?
12. The Jewish leaders knew that Pilate would dismiss the case if they told him what?
13. They were hoping that Pilate would see Jesus as a what?
14. What was the third accusation against Jesus brought to Pilate?
15. John 18:28 shows what concerning the religious leaders?
16. What is one of the most brilliant schemes of the devil?
17. It was customary for a Roman governor to be in Jerusalem at what time?
18. Did Pilate know that envy drove the religious leaders' actions?
19. Since they had no case against Jesus, the religious leaders tried to do what with Pilate?
20. Pilate began his time in office as what?
21. Where did Pilate get the money to build the aqueduct?
22. Pilate played a political game with the Jews and what was the prize?
23. John wants to make sure we know that God is sovereign over the death of Jesus and the what?
24. Where was the crucifixion predicted?
25. Jesus responded to Pilate as a what?
26. Why did Jesus refuse to answer Pilate's last question?
27. The kingship of Jesus did NOT come from what source?
28. "I was born" indicates what about Jesus?
29. "I have come into this world" indicates what about Jesus?
30. What verdict did Pilate declare?
31. Are you like Pilate? How so?
32. Why was "I find no fault in the man" so important to have recorded?
33. What led to Pilate thinking he was extricated from the problem that had been thrown into his lap?
34. Why did Pilate send Jesus to Herod Antipas?
35. What is the vivid truth that Pastor Bryan sees in this story?
36. What are you going to do with Jesus? Are you like Pilate, trying to send Jesus away, or are you going to bow in surrender and claim Jesus as your King?