

“What Pilate Should Have Known” • John 18:28 – 19:22

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Intro • For discussion, what is an application for each “PSHK” point?

Vs 28–32 • Pilate vs the Jews _____

1 • Pilate should have known → God is in control, not him _____
_____ (Dan 2:20–21)

Vs 33–35 • Pilate questions Jesus, but He flips the conversation _____

2 • Pilate should have known → God asks the questions we must answer—not the other way around

_____ (Job 38:1–4)

3 • Pilate should have known → He is personally involved _____

Vs 36–37a • Pilate knows Jesus is no threat to him; He is no earthly king

Vs 37b–38a • _____

4 • Pilate should have known → There IS absolute truth _____

5 • Pilate should have known → God’s love toward him _____

Vs 38b–19:5 • Jesus is whipped with extreme brutality. Pilate is attempting to stir up sympathy for Jesus: “Behold, the Man!”

6 • Pilate should have known → That Jesus was GOD, not just man _____

Vs 6–11 • The Jews let it slip that Jesus claimed to be “Son of God.” Pilate is frightened, and questions Jesus further.

7 • Pilate should have known → He was only in power because God placed him there _____

Vs 12 • The Jews play hardball = Jesus made Himself out to be a king! Pilate is afraid of the political ramifications. He is out of options.

8 • Pilate should have known → He should fear God, not man _____

Vs 13–22 • The crucifixion begins. Pilate writes, “Jesus... King of Jews”

9 • Pilate should have known → God’s word is written in the heavens!
_____ (1 Peter 1:24–25)