



# FIRST BAPTIST

**When Things Get Worse**  
*Living a Cross Centered Life Series*  
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1. Avoid doing “\_\_\_\_\_” to make things “\_\_\_\_\_” (v. 1-2)
  
2. Keep controlled \_\_\_\_\_ when \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 3)
  
3. Resist letting public \_\_\_\_\_ determine \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 4-7)
  
4. Don’t seek to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus for your \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 8-11)
  
5. Form \_\_\_\_\_ around right \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 12)

Then the whole assembly rose and led him off to Pilate. <sup>2</sup>And they began to accuse him, saying, “We have found this man subverting our nation. He opposes payment of taxes to Caesar and claims to be Christ, a king.”

<sup>3</sup>So Pilate asked Jesus, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

“Yes, it is as you say,” Jesus replied.

<sup>4</sup>Then Pilate announced to the chief priests and the crowd, “I find no basis for a charge against this man.”

<sup>5</sup>But they insisted, “He stirs up the people all over Judea by his teaching. He started in Galilee and has come all the way here.”

<sup>6</sup>On hearing this, Pilate asked if the man was a Galilean. <sup>7</sup>When he learned that Jesus was under Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time.

<sup>8</sup>When Herod saw Jesus, he was greatly pleased, because for a long time he had been wanting to see him. From what he had heard about him, he hoped to see him perform some miracle. <sup>9</sup>He plied him with many questions, but Jesus gave him no answer. <sup>10</sup>The chief priests and the teachers of the law were standing there, vehemently accusing him. <sup>11</sup>Then Herod and his soldiers ridiculed and mocked him. Dressing him in an elegant robe, they sent him back to Pilate. <sup>12</sup>That day Herod and Pilate became friends—before this they had been enemies.

Luke 23:1-12