

TO SEEK AND SAVE THE LOST
Luke 22:63-23:25
New Life Fellowship – Pastor Joe Green
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1. Jesus *HAD TO BE* _____ ... To Be Your _____.

Luke 22:63-65 (NIV2011) “The men who were guarding Jesus began mocking and beating Him. ⁶⁴ They blindfolded Him and demanded, ‘Prophecy! Who hit You?’ ⁶⁵ And they said many other insulting things to Him.”

Luke 22:66-67 (NIV2011) “At daybreak the council of the elders of the people, both the chief priests and the teachers of the Law, met together, and Jesus was led before them. ⁶⁷ ‘If You are the Messiah,’ they said, ‘tell us.’”

Luke 22:67-68 (NIV2011) “Jesus answered, ‘If I tell you, you will not believe Me,’ ⁶⁸ and if I asked you, you would not answer.’”

Luke 22:69 (NIV2011) Jesus continued... “But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the Mighty God.”

Luke 22:70-71 (NIV2011) “They all asked, ‘Are You then the Son of God?’ [Jesus] replied, ‘You say that I AM.’ ⁷¹ Then they said, ‘Why do we need any more testimony? We have heard it from His own lips.’”

Luke 23:1 (NIV2011) “Then the whole assembly rose and led [Jesus] off to Pilate.”

2. Jesus *HAD TO BE* _____ ... To Be Your _____.

Luke 23:1-2 (NIV2011) “Then the whole assembly rose and led [Jesus] off to Pilate. ² 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 Messiah, a King.’”

Luke 23:3-5 (NIV2011) “So Pilate asked Jesus, ‘Are You the King of the Jews?’ ‘You have said so,’ Jesus replied. ⁴ Then Pilate announced to the chief priests and the crowd, ‘I find no basis for a charge against this Man.’ ⁵ 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.’”

Luke 23:6-9 (NIV2011) “On hearing this, Pilate asked if the Man was a Galilean. ⁷ When he learned that Jesus was under Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent Him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time. ⁸ 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 a sign of some sort. ⁹ He plied Him with many questions, but Jesus gave him no answer.”

Luke 23:10-12 (NIV2011) “The chief priests and the teachers of the Law were standing there, vehemently accusing [Jesus]. ¹¹ Then Herod and his soldiers ridiculed and mocked Him. Dressing Him in an elegant robe, they sent Him back to Pilate. ¹² That day Herod and Pilate became friends—before this they had been enemies.”

Luke 23:13-16 (NIV2011) “Pilate called together the chief priests, the rulers and the people, ¹⁴ and said to them, ‘You brought me this Man as One who was inciting the people to rebellion. I have examined Him in your presence and have found no basis for your charges against Him. ¹⁵ Neither has Herod, for he sent Him back to us; as you can see, He has done nothing to deserve death. ¹⁶ Therefore, I will punish Him and then release Him.’”

Luke 23:18-22 (NIV2011) “But the whole crowd shouted, ‘Away with this Man! Release Barabbas to us!’ ¹⁹ (Barabbas had been thrown into prison for an insurrection in the city, and for murder.) ²⁰ Wanting to release Jesus, Pilate appealed to them again. ²¹ But they kept shouting, ‘Crucify Him! Crucify Him!’ ²² For the third time he spoke to them: ‘Why? What crime has this Man committed? I have found in Him no grounds for the death penalty. Therefore I will have Him punished and then release Him.’”

Luke 23:23 (NIV2011) “But with loud shouts they insistently demanded that [Jesus] be crucified, and their shouts prevailed.”

Luke 23:24-25 (NIV2011) “So Pilate decided to grant their demand. ²⁵ He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, the one they asked for, and surrendered Jesus to their will.”

Isaiah 53:6 (NIV2011) “We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.”

1Peter 2:25 (NIV2011) “‘You were like sheep going astray,’ but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.”

