

THE BOOK OF JOHN READING PLAN Week 14 Review



We finished John 18 and covered all of John 19 this week. As you know, these passages walk us through the trials of Jesus to His crucifixion. As with many reviews, there could be numerous questions to ask. I will limit this to a few matters within these passages.

John 18:19-40

1. For info: We have two “high priests” mentioned. Annas was a high priest appointed by Rome. He served from around 6ad to 15ad. He was replaced by Rome. Yet, Annas remained a central figure among the Jews and the families of high priests to come. He is called a high priest in these verses recognizing his former position, much as we may call former presidents, “President.” Still, Annas had great influence. Caiaphas, the present high priest, was the son in law of Annas.
2. Why do you think Jesus was taken to Annas first?
3. This preliminary ‘trial’ brought no conclusion, so Jesus is sent to Caiaphas. This would have been a 2nd trial. John does not give us any details. You can read about Jesus before Caiaphas in Matthew 26:57-67. In those verses Jesus acknowledges before the Sanhedrin that He is the Messiah, the Son of God. This was the breaking point for the religious leaders of the Jews, they wanted Him dead. This is when Jesus is sent to Pilate (John 18:28) for a 3rd trial.
4. John 18:28-38: what do you sense Pilate really thought about this entire situation? How did try to avoid sentencing Jesus to death?
5. How is Barrabas a picture of the whole of mankind?

John 19

1. Why does Pilate finally cave to the chief priests’ demand that Jesus be killed?
2. How did the religious leaders put Pilate in a situation where Pilate felt no way out but to deliver Jesus to be crucified?

3. Why do you think Pilate wrote the title, “JESUS THE NAZARENE THE KING OF THE JEWS” on the sign? Why do you think he didn’t change the sign as the priests wanted him to? Here is a lesson to draw: Man can’t change the truth that Jesus truly is the KING.
4. Who did Jesus ask to take care of His mother? We do not know why. Mary had other children. Jesus asked and John obeyed.
5. Verse 30: What all was finished on the cross?
6. Verses 31-42: Why can we be confident that Jesus truly died?