

The Lord's Supper

4 Men and 3 Crosses

Part 2



OUR DAILY BREAD

Junior Edition

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SOMETHING YOU MUST KNOW:

God is perfect. He is Holy. We are all sinners. *For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.*

(Romans 3:23a KJB)

None of us could ever make ourselves perfect or holy to be accepted by God. But God loves us all so much, that He gave His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to go to the cross and pay the penalty for our sins IN FULL, ONCE and FOR ALL. Jesus died and rose again. Because of the Lord Jesus Christ, God can now make us holy and acceptable to Himself. *For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.* (1 Peter 3:18 KJB)

Jesus Christ is our ONLY WAY to God and heaven.

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

(John 14:6 KJB)

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved. (Acts 16:31 KJB)

Without Jesus Christ, you can NEVER be accepted by God or go to heaven. When you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior, God makes you His child. When you leave this world, you will spend all of eternity with Him! *But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.* (John 1:12 KJB) While you are still here on earth, learn His beautiful Word. Believe it and obey it, so you can enjoy all God has done for you.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom.

(Colossians 3:16a KJB)

Welcome to
THE LORD'S SUPPER.

Today we will
EAT THE BREAD
and
DRINK THE CUP

to help us **REMEMBER** who Jesus Christ
is & why He died on the cross for us.

Here is what God says that we do each &
every time we **EAT** the **BREAD** & **DRINK** the **CUP**:

“For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink
this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he
come.” 1Corinthians 11:26 KJB

That word **SHEW** is a very **OLD WORD**.
The word **SHEW** means to **DECLARE**. It means to
TEACH. It means to **PROCLAIM**. Jesus is the
VERY BEST TEACHER in all the universe. He
used the **VERY BEST SYMBOLS** which are **THE**
BREAD & **THE CUP** to help us **DECLARE** &
TEACH & **PROCLAIM** & **SHEW** His death until He
returns again someday.

Today we will open our King James Bible to learn
more facts about what happened that day when Jesus
died on the cross to pay for the sins of the world.
In part one of this lesson, we learned that Jesus was
nailed to the cross between 2 thieves. We read
Isaiah 53 & we learned that those crosses were ar-
ranged that way because about 700 years **BEFORE**



Jesus actually was crucified, God DECLARED that those crosses would be arranged that way. (By the way, this is one of the BIBLE PROPHECIES that have already come true & PROVE to us that GOD IS REAL & that JESUS CHRIST is "the living God who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe" 1Tim 4:10b.) We learned that those 2 thieves had been found GUILTY of evil crimes. Those 2 thieves DESERVED to die. We learned that Jesus Christ was NOT GUILTY of anything. Jesus Christ did NOT DESERVE to die.

But on the day Jesus was crucified, there was another man who was found GUILTY of murder & robbery. He was SUPPOSED to be put to DEATH for those crimes along with the other 2 thieves. But instead, as we will find out from scripture, he was set free that day. This man was named
BARABBAS.

Today we will read what happened on the day that Jesus was crucified & Barabbas was not. Also, have a pencil ready because we will also be doing some WRITING as well as READING. As we read our bible, God's Word will tell us some very important facts about Jesus which we can REMEMBER & PROCLAIM & TEACH & DECLARE as we EAT the BREAD & DRINK the cup today.

As we begin, pretend you are sitting right there at the palace where Jesus was brought to stand before Pontius Pilate, the governor of Judea at that



time. Let's first read to find out WHY Jesus was brought to the governor, Pontius Pilate:

"When the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death:



And when they had bound him, they led *him* away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor." Matthew 27:1-2 KJB

Who took Jesus to Pontius Pilate?

Why did they take Jesus to Pontius Pilate?

Why did the chief priests and elders want to put Jesus to death? There were 2 reasons. Read these scriptures and then UNDERLINE what those reasons were. The chief priests & elders gave one of the reasons one day when they talked with Jesus. In fact, on that day, they wanted to STONE Jesus to death. Here is what they said to Jesus that day:

1. "The Jews answered him saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou being a man, makest thyself God." John 10:33 KJB

In this next scripture. God tells us that even Pontius Pilate knew the 2nd reason why the chief priests & elders wanted Jesus to be put to death. (Remember to underline the reason.)

2. "For he (Pontius Pilate) knew that the chief

priests had delivered him (Jesus) for envy (jealousy).” Mark 15:11 KJB

Did Jesus deserve to be put to death because He said He was God? Of course NOT! Jesus was NOT lying when He said He was God! They said He LIED! But Jesus IS God! When Jesus claimed to be God, He told THE TRUTH! He never lied! He did NOT deserve to be put to death!

Did Jesus deserve to be put to death because they were envious or jealous of him? Of course NOT! Jesus NEVER sinned or committed any crimes! Jesus was HOLY & PERFECT! He did NOT deserve to die. But still, the chief priests brought Jesus to Pilate. When they got there, they accused Jesus of many other things. They hoped Pilate would crucify Jesus. Now Jesus COULD have defended Himself in front of Pilate; but read what Jesus did when they accused Him:

“And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing.”

Matthew 27:11 KJB



What did Jesus do when they accused Him?

(What would you have done?)

When Jesus answered nothing back to those people, here is what happened next:

“Then said Pilate unto him. Hearst thou not

how many things they witness against thee?

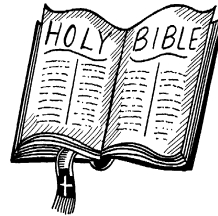
And he (Jesus) answered him (Pilate) never a word; insomuch that the governor marveled greatly."

What did Pontius Pilate do when Jesus did not answer any of their accusations or defend Himself against them?

Do you know what the word marveled means? It means "to be very impressed or surprised. It means to be amazed & admire!

When Pontius Pilate saw that Jesus did not defend Himself against all their hateful accusations, Pontius Pilate admired Jesus for not answering them. He was very impressed & surprised & amazed. But guess what! Although, Pontius Pilate was surprised & amazed, this was NO SURPRISE TO GOD that Jesus did NOT answer those evil chief priests. In fact, 700 years BEFORE this day, God's Word said that Jesus would REMAIN SILENT before them. 700 years BEFORE Jesus stood all tied up in front of Pilate, God had Isaiah the prophet write this about Jesus:

"He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth."



Isaiah 53: 7 K JB

(Underline the words that say what Jesus did when He was oppressed & afflicted by all those FALSE accusations.)

That day when Jesus answered NOTHING, He fulfilled that prophecy in Isaiah 53:7. And when He fulfilled that prophecy, He GAVE MORE EVIDENCE & PROOF that He is "the living God who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe" 1Tim 4:10b

Now when Jesus stood before Pilate, Pilate asked Jesus some questions. And Jesus answered His questions. And when Pilate finished questioning Jesus, here is what Pilate told the chief priests and the rulers and the people: Luke 23:14,16 KJB

"...Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that perverteth the people: and, behold, I, having examined *him* before you, have found no fault in this man touching those things whereof ye accuse him:"

"I will therefore chastise him, and release *him*."



Did Pilate find anything wrong in Jesus?

Circle one: YES NO

Did Pilate want to put Jesus to death?

Circle one: YES NO

In the scripture above, underline what Pilate wanted to do to Jesus?

We see then, that Pilate could not find any wrong or

guilt in Jesus. In fact, Pilate wanted to set Jesus free! And so, because there was a special custom on that day to release or free one of the prisoners whom the people wanted to be freed, Pilate offered to FREE Jesus. But here is what all the people screamed:

“Away with this *man*, and release unto us Barabbas:” Luke 23:18b KJB

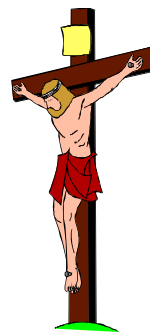
Then when Pilate 2 times more offered to release Jesus, the people screamed louder each time:

“...Crucify *him*, crucify him.” Luke 23:21.

And so, on that day 2000 years ago, the guilty man, named Barabbas was set free from the punishment of being crucified for his crimes. On that day 2000 years ago, the innocent man, Jesus Christ, was punished for crimes He did NOT commit. Jesus did NOT try to stop this from happening. Jesus willingly went to the cross. And He did that for you & for me. He did that for world—even for Barabbas. And those are some of the things that happened concerning the 4 men & the 3 crosses on that day 2000 years ago.

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- RI Exit #22; *Left* at split to **Rt. 6 W.**
- Take Killingly St (Rt. 128) Exit; *Right* off Exit.
- Take Killingly to end; *Right* on Manton Ave; cross bridge.
- Turn *Left* at light (CVS on corner), and then bear *Left* at the split. You are now on Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1 mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Left*.

From Rt. 146

- Mineral Spring Ave Exit in Providence.
- From **146 N** turn *Left* off Exit; from **146 S** turn *Right*.
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- Take next *Right* onto Woonasquatucket Ave.
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