

# THE CHOICE

EASTER 2020

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

## John 18:28-40

#### I. The Problem

JOHN 18:28-31

(John 18:28) "Then led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto the hall of judgment: and it was early; and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they might eat the passover."

(John 18:29) "Pilate then went out unto them, and said, What accusation bring ye against this man?"

(John 18:30) "They answered and said unto him, If he were not a malefactor, we would not have delivered him up unto thee."

(John 18:31) "Then said Pilate unto them, Take ye him, and judge him according to your law. The Jews therefore said unto him, It is not lawful for us to put any man to death:"

# II. The Prophecy

JOHN 18:31-32

"It is not lawful for us to put any man to death"

(John 18:31 b)

(John 18:32) "That the saying of Jesus might be fulfilled, which he spake, signifying what death he should die."

# What Saying?

"And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. This he said, signifying what death he should die." (John 12:32-33)

"And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said unto his disciples, Ye know that after two days is the feast of the passover, and the Son of man is betrayed to be crucified." (Matthew 26:1-2)

#### III. Pilate

JOHN 18:33-38

(John 18:33) "Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called Jesus, and said unto him, Art thou the King of the Jews?"

(John 18:34) "Jesus answered him, Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell it thee of me?"

(John 18:35) "Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered thee unto me: what hast thou done?"

(John 18:36) "Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence."

(John 18:37) "Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice."

(John 18:38) "Pilate saith unto him, What is truth? And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault at all."

## IV. The Prisoner

JOHN 18:39-40

(John 18:39) "But ye have a custom, that I should release unto you one at the passover: will ye therefore that I release unto you the King of the Jews?"

(John 18:40) "Then cried they all again, saying, Not this man, but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a robber."

(Mark 15:7) "And there was one named Barabbas, which lay bound with them that had made insurrection with him, who had committed murder in the insurrection."

# Jesus was crucified in the place of a rebellious, murdering thief.







