

The background of the slide features a faded, sepia-toned image of a person leading a camel across a desert landscape. The person is walking towards the right, holding a rope attached to the camel. The camel is also walking towards the right. The sky is a mix of light and dark tones, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall mood is contemplative and historical.

The Passion Narratives

A Side-by-Side Comparison

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Matthew 26:36 – 27:50	Mark 14:32 – 15:37	Luke 22:40 – 23:46	John 18:1 – 19:30
Jesus and the eleven true disciples travel to the Garden of Gethsemane – Thursday April 6, 30 AD about midnight			
<i>Jesus prays for Himself while Peter, James and John sleep</i>			
<p>³⁶Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." ³⁷He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. ³⁸Then he said to them, "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me."</p> <p>³⁹Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will."</p> <p>⁴⁰Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Could you men not keep watch with me for one hour?" he asked Peter. ⁴¹"Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak."</p> <p>⁴²He went away a second time and prayed, "My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done."</p> <p>⁴³When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. ⁴⁴So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing.</p> <p>⁴⁵Then he returned to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour is near, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴⁶ Rise, let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"</p>	<p>³²They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." ³³He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled. ³⁴"My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death," he said to them. "Stay here and keep watch."</p> <p>³⁵Going a little farther, he fell to the ground and prayed that if possible the hour might pass from him. ³⁶"Abba, Father," he said, "everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."</p> <p>³⁷Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Simon," he said to Peter, "are you asleep? Could you not keep watch for one hour? ³⁸Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak."</p> <p>³⁹Once more he went away and prayed the same thing. ⁴⁰When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him.</p> <p>⁴¹Returning the third time, he said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Enough! The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴²Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"</p>	<p>³⁹Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him. ⁴⁰On reaching the place, he said to them, "Pray that you will not fall into temptation." ⁴¹He withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed, ⁴²"Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." ⁴³An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. ⁴⁴And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground. ⁴⁵When he rose from prayer and went back to the disciples, he found them asleep, exhausted from sorrow. ⁴⁶"Why are you sleeping?" he asked them. "Get up and pray so that you will not fall into temptation."</p>	<p>¹When he had finished praying, Jesus left with his disciples and crossed the Kidron Valley. On the other side there was an olive grove, and he and his disciples went into it.</p>
<i>Jesus is betrayed, arrested, and abandoned</i>			
<p>⁴⁷While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived. With him was a</p>	<p>⁴³Just as he was speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, appeared. With him was a</p>	<p>⁴⁷While he was still speaking a crowd came up, and the man who was called</p>	<p>²Now Judas, who betrayed him, knew the place, because Jesus had often met there</p>

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<p>large crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests and the elders of the people. ⁴⁸Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: "The one I kiss is the man; arrest him."</p> <p>⁴⁹Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him.</p> <p>⁵⁰Jesus replied, "Friend, do what you came for."</p> <p>⁵¹Then the men stepped forward, seized Jesus and arrested him. With that, one of Jesus' companions reached for his sword, drew it out and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear.</p> <p>⁵²"Put your sword back in its place," Jesus said to him, "for all who draw the sword will die by the sword. ⁵³Do you think I cannot call on my Father, and he will at once put at my disposal more than twelve legions of angels? ⁵⁴But how then would the Scriptures be fulfilled that say it must happen in this way?"</p> <p>⁵⁵At that time Jesus said to the crowd, "Am I leading a rebellion, that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me? Every day I sat in the temple courts teaching, and you did not arrest me. ⁵⁶But this has all taken place that the writings of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.</p>	<p>crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests, the teachers of the law, and the elders.</p> <p>⁴⁴Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: "The one I kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." ⁴⁵Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. ⁴⁶The men seized Jesus and arrested him. ⁴⁷Then one of those standing near drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear.</p> <p>⁴⁸"Am I leading a rebellion," said Jesus, "that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me? ⁴⁹Every day I was with you, teaching in the temple courts, and you did not arrest me. But the Scriptures must be fulfilled." ⁵⁰Then everyone deserted him and fled.</p> <p>⁵¹A young man, wearing nothing but a linen garment, was following Jesus. When they seized him, ⁵²he fled naked, leaving his garment behind.</p>	<p>Judas, one of the Twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him, ⁴⁸but Jesus asked him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?"</p> <p>⁴⁹When Jesus' followers saw what was going to happen, they said, "Lord, should we strike with our swords?" ⁵⁰And one of them struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his right ear.</p> <p>⁵¹But Jesus answered, "No more of this!" And he touched the man's ear and healed him.</p> <p>⁵²Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple guard, and the elders, who had come for him, "Am I leading a rebellion, that you have come with swords and clubs? ⁵³Every day I was with you in the temple courts, and you did not lay a hand on me. But this is your hour--when darkness reigns."</p>	<p>with his disciples. ³So Judas came to the grove, guiding a detachment of soldiers and some officials from the chief priests and Pharisees. They were carrying torches, lanterns and weapons.</p> <p>⁴Jesus, knowing all that was going to happen to him, went out and asked them, "Who is it you want?"</p> <p>⁵"Jesus of Nazareth," they replied.</p> <p>⁶"I am he," Jesus said. (And Judas the traitor was standing there with them.) When Jesus said, "I am he," they drew back and fell to the ground.</p> <p>⁷Again he asked them, "Who is it you want?"</p> <p>And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth."</p> <p>⁸"I told you that I am he," Jesus answered. "If you are looking for me, then let these men go." ⁹This happened so that the words he had spoken would be fulfilled: "I have not lost one of those you gave me."¹</p> <p>¹⁰Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant, cutting off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.)</p> <p>¹¹Jesus commanded Peter, "Put your sword away! Shall I not drink the cup the Father has given me?"</p> <p>¹²Then the detachment of soldiers with its commander and the Jewish officials arrested Jesus.</p>
Jesus is taken to the house of Annas, in Jerusalem – Friday April 7, 30 AD. Around 1:00AM			
<i>Jesus is examined by Annas</i>			
			<p>They bound him ¹³and brought him first to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year.</p> <p>¹⁴Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jews that it would be good if one man died for the people.</p> <p>¹⁹Meanwhile, the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching.</p>

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			<p>²⁰"I have spoken openly to the world," Jesus replied. "I always taught in synagogues or at the temple, where all the Jews come together. I said nothing in secret. ²¹Why question me? Ask those who heard me. Surely they know what I said."</p> <p>²²When Jesus said this, one of the officials nearby struck him in the face. "Is this the way you answer the high priest?" he demanded.</p> <p>²³"If I said something wrong," Jesus replied, "testify as to what is wrong. But if I spoke the truth, why did you strike me?" ²⁴Then Annas sent him, still bound, to Caiaphas the high priest.</p>
<i>Peter and one other disciple in the courtyard</i>			
<p>⁵⁸But Peter followed him at a distance, right up to the courtyard of the high priest. He entered and sat down with the guards to see the outcome.</p>	<p>⁵⁴Peter followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. There he sat with the guards and warmed himself at the fire.</p>	<p>Peter followed at a distance. ⁵⁵But when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them.</p>	<p>¹⁵Simon Peter and another disciple were following Jesus. Because this disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the high priest's courtyard, ¹⁶but Peter had to wait outside at the door. The other disciple, who was known to the high priest, came back, spoke to the girl on duty there and brought Peter in.</p>
Jesus is taken to Caiaphas' council chamber – around 3:00 AM			
<i>Jesus is interrogated by Caiaphas and the Sanhedrin</i>			
<p>⁵⁷Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas, the high priest, where the teachers of the law and the elders had assembled.</p> <p>⁵⁹The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for false evidence against Jesus so that they could put him to death. ⁶⁰But they did not find any, though many false witnesses came forward.</p> <p>⁶¹Finally two came forward and declared, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy</p>	<p>⁵³They took Jesus to the high priest, and all the chief priests, elders and teachers of the law came together.</p> <p>⁵⁵The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for evidence against Jesus so that they could put him to death, but they did not find any.</p> <p>⁵⁶Many testified falsely against him, but their statements did not agree.</p> <p>⁵⁷Then some stood up and gave this false testimony against him: ⁵⁸"We heard him say, 'I will destroy this man-made temple</p>	<p>⁵⁴Then seizing him, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. ⁶³The men who were guarding Jesus began mocking and beating him. ⁶⁴They blindfolded him and demanded, "Prophecy! Who hit you?" ⁶⁵And they said many other insulting things to him.</p>	

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<p>the temple of God and rebuild it in three days.' "</p> <p>⁶²Then the high priest stood up and said to Jesus, "Are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?" ⁶³But Jesus remained silent.</p> <p>The high priest said to him, "I charge you under oath by the living God: Tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God."</p> <p>⁶⁴"Yes, it is as you say," Jesus replied.</p> <p>"But I say to all of you: In the future you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven."</p> <p>⁶⁵Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "He has spoken blasphemy! Why do we need any more witnesses? Look, now you have heard the blasphemy. ⁶⁶What do you think?"</p> <p>"He is worthy of death," they answered.</p> <p>⁶⁷Then they spit in his face and struck him with their fists. Others slapped him ⁶⁸and said, "Prophecy to us, Christ. Who hit you?"</p>	<p>and in three days will build another, not made by man.' " ⁵⁹Yet even then their testimony did not agree.</p> <p>⁶⁰Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?"</p> <p>⁶¹But Jesus remained silent and gave no answer.</p> <p>Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed One?"</p> <p>⁶²"I am," said Jesus. "And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven."</p> <p>⁶³The high priest tore his clothes. "Why do we need any more witnesses?" he asked. ⁶⁴"You have heard the blasphemy. What do you think?"</p> <p>⁶⁵They all condemned him as worthy of death. Then some began to spit at him; they blindfolded him, struck him with their fists, and said, "Prophecy!" And the guards took him and beat him.</p>		
<i>Peter's three denials</i>			
<p>⁶⁹Now Peter was sitting out in the courtyard, and a servant girl came to him. "You also were with Jesus of Galilee," she said.</p> <p>⁷⁰But he denied it before them all. "I don't know what you're talking about," he said.</p> <p>⁷¹Then he went out to the gateway, where another girl saw him and said to the people there, "This fellow was with Jesus of Nazareth."</p> <p>⁷²He denied it again, with an oath: "I don't know the man!"</p> <p>⁷³After a little while, those standing there went up to Peter and said, "Surely you are one of them, for your accent gives</p>	<p>⁶⁶While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came by. ⁶⁷When she saw Peter warming himself, she looked closely at him.</p> <p>"You also were with that Nazarene, Jesus," she said.</p> <p>⁶⁸But he denied it. "I don't know or understand what you're talking about," he said, and went out into the entryway.</p> <p>⁶⁹When the servant girl saw him there, she said again to those standing around, "This fellow is one of them." ⁷⁰Again he denied it.</p> <p>After a little while, those standing near said to Peter, "Surely you are one of them, for you are a Galilean."</p>	<p>⁵⁶A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight. She looked closely at him and said, "This man was with him."</p> <p>⁵⁷But he denied it. "Woman, I don't know him," he said.</p> <p>⁵⁸A little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them."</p> <p>"Man, I am not!" Peter replied.</p> <p>⁵⁹About an hour later another asserted, "Certainly this fellow was with him, for he is a Galilean."</p> <p>⁶⁰Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. ⁶¹The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had</p>	<p>¹⁷"You are not one of his disciples, are you?" the girl at the door asked Peter. He replied, "I am not."</p> <p>¹⁸It was cold, and the servants and officials stood around a fire they had made to keep warm. Peter also was standing with them, warming himself.</p> <p>²⁵As Simon Peter stood warming himself, he was asked, "You are not one of his disciples, are you?"</p> <p>He denied it, saying, "I am not."</p> <p>²⁶One of the high priest's servants, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, challenged him, "Didn't I see you with him in the olive grove?" ²⁷Again Peter denied it, and at that moment a</p>

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<p>you away."</p> <p>⁷⁴Then he began to call down curses on himself and he swore to them, "I don't know the man!"</p> <p>⁷⁵Immediately a rooster crowed. Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken: "Before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times." And he went outside and wept bitterly.</p>	<p>⁷¹He began to call down curses on himself, and he swore to them, "I don't know this man you're talking about."</p> <p>⁷²Immediately the rooster crowed the second time. Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows twice you will disown me three times." And he broke down and wept.</p>	<p>spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times."</p> <p>⁶²And he went outside and wept bitterly.</p>	<p>rooster began to crow.</p>
<i>Jesus is formally condemned by the Sanhedrin</i>			
<p>¹Early in the morning, all the chief priests and the elders of the people came to the decision to put Jesus to death. ²They bound him, led him away and handed him over to Pilate, the governor.</p>	<p>¹Very early in the morning, the chief priests, with the elders, the teachers of the law and the whole Sanhedrin, reached a decision. They bound Jesus, led him away and handed him over to Pilate.</p>	<p>⁶⁶At daybreak the council of the elders of the people, both the chief priests and teachers of the law, met together, and Jesus was led before them. ⁶⁷"If you are the Christ," they said, "tell us."</p> <p>⁶⁸Jesus answered, "If I tell you, you will not believe me, and if I asked you, you would not answer. ⁶⁹But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the mighty God."</p> <p>⁷⁰They all asked, "Are you then the Son of God?"</p> <p>He replied, "You are right in saying I am."</p> <p>⁷¹Then they said, "Why do we need any more testimony? We have heard it from his own lips."</p>	
<i>Judas commits suicide</i>			
<p>³When Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he was seized with remorse and returned the thirty silver coins to the chief priests and the elders. ⁴"I have sinned," he said, "for I have betrayed innocent blood."</p> <p>"What is that to us?" they replied. "That's your responsibility."</p> <p>⁵So Judas threw the money into the temple and left. Then he went away and hanged himself.</p> <p>⁶The chief priests picked up the coins and said, "It is against the law to put this into the treasury, since it is blood money."</p> <p>⁷So they decided to use the money to buy</p>			

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<p>the potter's field as a burial place for foreigners. ⁸That is why it has been called the Field of Blood to this day. ⁹Then what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled: "They took the thirty silver coins, the price set on him by the people of Israel, ¹⁰and they used them to buy the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me."</p>			
Jesus is led to Pilate's Palace – Friday April 7, around 5:00 AM			
<i>Jesus' first appearance before Pilate</i>			
<p>¹¹Meanwhile Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" "Yes, it is as you say," Jesus replied. ¹²When he was accused by the chief priests and the elders, he gave no answer. ¹³Then Pilate asked him, "Don't you hear the testimony they are bringing against you?" ¹⁴But Jesus made no reply, not even to a single charge--to the great amazement of the governor.</p>	<p>²"Are you the king of the Jews?" asked Pilate. "Yes, it is as you say," Jesus replied. ³The chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴So again Pilate asked him, "Aren't you going to answer? See how many things they are accusing you of." ⁵But Jesus still made no reply, and Pilate was amazed.</p>	<p>¹Then the whole assembly rose and led him off to Pilate. ²And 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." ³So Pilate asked Jesus, "Are you the king of the Jews?" "Yes, it is as you say," Jesus replied. ⁴Then Pilate announced to the chief priests and the crowd, "I find no basis for a charge against this man." ⁵But they insisted, "He stirs up the people all over Judea by his teaching. He started in Galilee and has come all the way here." ⁶On hearing this, Pilate asked if the man was a Galilean.</p>	<p>²⁸Then the Jews led Jesus from Caiaphas to the palace of the Roman governor. By now it was early morning, and to avoid ceremonial uncleanness the Jews did not enter the palace; they wanted to be able to eat the Passover. ²⁹So Pilate came out to them and asked, "What charges are you bringing against this man?" ³⁰"If he were not a criminal," they replied, "we would not have handed him over to you." ³¹Pilate said, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law." ³²"But we have no right to execute anyone," the Jews objected. This happened so that the words Jesus had spoken indicating the kind of death he was going to die would be fulfilled. ³³Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" ³⁴"Is that your own idea," Jesus asked, "or did others talk to you about me?" ³⁵"Am I a Jew?" Pilate replied. "It was your people and your chief priests who handed you over to me. What is it you have done?" ³⁶Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jews. But now my kingdom is from another place." ³⁷"You are a king, then!" said Pilate.</p>

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			<p>Jesus answered, "You are right in saying I am a king. In fact, for this reason I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."</p> <p>³⁸"What is truth?" Pilate asked. With this he went out again to the Jews and said, "I find no basis for a charge against him."</p>
Jesus is sent to Herod Antipas			
<i>Jesus is interrogated by Herod</i>			
		<p>⁷When he learned that Jesus was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time.</p> <p>⁸When 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. ⁹He plied him with many questions, but Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰The chief priests and the teachers of the law were standing there, vehemently accusing him. ¹¹Then Herod and his soldiers ridiculed and mocked him. Dressing him in an elegant robe, they sent him back to Pilate. ¹²That day Herod and Pilate became friends--before this they had been enemies.</p>	
Jesus is sent back to Pilate – Friday, about 6:00 AM			
<i>Pilate declares Jesus' innocence</i>			
<p>¹⁹While Pilate was sitting on the judge's seat, his wife sent him this message: "Don't have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him."</p>		<p>¹³Pilate called together the chief priests, the rulers and the people, ¹⁴and 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. ¹⁵Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us; as you can see, he has done nothing to deserve death. ¹⁶Therefore, I will punish him and then release him."</p>	
<i>The crowd chooses Barabbas</i>			

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<p>¹⁵Now it was the governor's custom at the Feast to release a prisoner chosen by the crowd. ¹⁶At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Barabbas. ¹⁷So when the crowd had gathered, Pilate asked them, "Which one do you want me to release to you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?" ¹⁸For he knew it was out of envy that they had handed Jesus over to him.</p> <p>²⁰But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus executed.</p> <p>²¹"Which of the two do you want me to release to you?" asked the governor. "Barabbas," they answered.</p> <p>²²"What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called Christ?" Pilate asked. They all answered, "Crucify him!"</p> <p>²³"Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate. But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!"</p> <p>²⁴When Pilate saw that he was getting nowhere, but that instead an uproar was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd. "I am innocent of this man's blood," he said. "It is your responsibility!"</p> <p>²⁵All the people answered, "Let his blood be on us and on our children!"</p>	<p>⁶Now it was the custom at the Feast to release a prisoner whom the people requested. ⁷A man called Barabbas was in prison with the insurrectionists who had committed murder in the uprising.</p> <p>⁸The crowd came up and asked Pilate to do for them what he usually did.</p> <p>⁹"Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?" asked Pilate,</p> <p>¹⁰knowing it was out of envy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over to him. ¹¹But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have Pilate release Barabbas instead.</p> <p>¹²"What shall I do, then, with the one you call the king of the Jews?" Pilate asked them.</p> <p>¹³"Crucify him!" they shouted.</p> <p>¹⁴"Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate. But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!"</p> <p>¹⁵Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.</p>	<p>¹⁸With one voice they cried out, "Away with this man! Release Barabbas to us!"</p> <p>¹⁹(Barabbas had been thrown into prison for an insurrection in the city, and for murder.)</p> <p>²⁰Wanting to release Jesus, Pilate appealed to them again. ²¹But they kept shouting, "Crucify him! Crucify him!"</p> <p>²²For 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."</p> <p>²³But with loud shouts they insistently demanded that he be crucified, and their shouts prevailed. ²⁴So Pilate decided to grant their demand. ²⁵He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, the one they asked for, and surrendered Jesus to their will.</p>	<p>³⁹But it is your custom for me to release to you one prisoner at the time of the Passover. Do you want me to release 'the king of the Jews'?"</p> <p>⁴⁰They shouted back, "No, not him! Give us Barabbas!" Now Barabbas had taken part in a rebellion.</p>
<i>Jesus is mocked and flogged</i>			
<p>²⁶Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified. ²⁷Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. ²⁸They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, ²⁹and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand and knelt in front</p>	<p>¹⁶The soldiers led Jesus away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium) and called together the whole company of soldiers.</p> <p>¹⁷They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. ¹⁸And they began to call out to him, "Hail, king of the Jews!" ¹⁹Again and again they struck him on the head with a staff and spit on him. Falling on their knees, they paid homage to him.</p>		<p>¹Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. ²The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They clothed him in a purple robe ³and went up to him again and again, saying, "Hail, king of the Jews!" And they struck him in the face.</p>

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of him and mocked him. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said. ³⁰ They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. ³¹ After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.	²⁰ And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.		
<i>Pilate declares Jesus' innocence again, the Jews demand crucifixion</i>			
			<p>⁴Once more Pilate came out and said to the Jews, "Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no basis for a charge against him." ⁵When Jesus came out wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe, Pilate said to them, "Here is the man!"</p> <p>⁶As soon as the chief priests and their officials saw him, they shouted, "Crucify! Crucify!"</p> <p>But Pilate answered, "You take him and crucify him. As for me, I find no basis for a charge against him."</p> <p>⁷The Jews insisted, "We have a law, and according to that law he must die, because he claimed to be the Son of God."</p> <p>⁸When Pilate heard this, he was even more afraid, ⁹and he went back inside the palace. "Where do you come from?" he asked Jesus, but Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰"Do you refuse to speak to me?" Pilate said. "Don't you realize I have power either to free you or to crucify you?"</p> <p>¹¹Jesus answered, "You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above. Therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin."</p> <p>¹²From then on, Pilate tried to set Jesus free, but the Jews kept shouting, "If you let this man go, you are no friend of Caesar. Anyone who claims to be a king opposes Caesar."</p>

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			<p>¹³When Pilate heard this, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judge's seat at a place known as the Stone Pavement (which in Aramaic is Gabbatha). ¹⁴It was the day of Preparation of Passover Week, about the sixth hour.</p> <p>"Here is your king," Pilate said to the Jews.</p> <p>¹⁵But they shouted, "Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!"</p> <p>"Shall I crucify your king?" Pilate asked.</p> <p>"We have no king but Caesar," the chief priests answered.</p> <p>¹⁶Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified.</p>
Jesus' final journey to Calvary – Friday, around 8:00 AM			
<i>Simon helps Jesus carry His cross</i>			
<p>³²As they were going out, they met a man from Cyrene, named Simon, and they forced him to carry the cross.</p>	<p>²¹A certain man from Cyrene, Simon, the father of Alexander and Rufus, was passing by on his way in from the country, and they forced him to carry the cross.</p>	<p>²⁶As they led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus.</p> <p>²⁷A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. ²⁸Jesus turned and said to them, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For the time will come when you will say, 'Blessed are the barren women, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!'</p> <p>³⁰Then</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">" 'they will say to the mountains, "Fall on us!"</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">and to the hills, "Cover us!" ³¹For if men do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?"</p> <p>³²Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed.</p>	<p>¹⁷So the soldiers took charge of Jesus. Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha). ¹⁸Here they crucified him, and with him two others--one on each side and Jesus in the middle.</p>
<i>Jesus' crucifixion – roughly 9:00 AM ("the third hour")</i>			
<p>³³They came to a place called Golgotha (which means The Place of the Skull).</p> <p>³⁴There they offered Jesus wine to drink, mixed with gall; but after tasting it, he</p>	<p>²²They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means The Place of the Skull). ²³Then they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it.</p>	<p>³³When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals--one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴Jesus said, "Father,</p>	<p>¹⁹Pilate had a notice prepared and fastened to the cross. It read: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS. ²⁰Many of the Jews read this sign,</p>

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<p>refused to drink it. ³⁵When they had crucified him, they divided up his clothes by casting lots. ³⁶And sitting down, they kept watch over him there. ³⁷Above his head they placed the written charge against him: THIS IS JESUS, THE KING OF THE JEWS. ³⁸Two robbers were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁹Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads ⁴⁰and saying, "You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!"</p> <p>⁴¹In the same way the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders mocked him. ⁴²"He saved others," they said, "but he can't save himself! He's the King of Israel! Let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. ⁴³He trusts in God. Let God rescue him now if he wants him, for he said, 'I am the Son of God.'" In the same way the robbers who were crucified with him also heaped insults on him.</p>	<p>²⁴And they crucified him. Dividing up his clothes, they cast lots to see what each would get.</p> <p>²⁵It was the third hour when they crucified him. ²⁶The written notice of the charge against him read: THE KING OF THE JEWS. ²⁷They crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying, "So! You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, ³⁰come down from the cross and save yourself!"</p> <p>³¹In the same way the chief priests and the teachers of the law mocked him among themselves. "He saved others," they said, "but he can't save himself!"</p> <p>³²Let this Christ, this King of Israel, come down now from the cross, that we may see and believe." Those crucified with him also heaped insults on him.</p>	<p>forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.</p> <p>³⁵The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One."</p> <p>³⁶The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar ³⁷and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself."</p> <p>³⁸There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.</p> <p>³⁹One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Christ? Save yourself and us!"</p> <p>⁴⁰But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? ⁴¹We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong."</p> <p>⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."</p> <p>⁴³Jesus answered him, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise."</p>	<p>for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and the sign was written in Aramaic, Latin and Greek.</p> <p>²¹The chief priests of the Jews protested to Pilate, "Do not write 'The King of the Jews,' but that this man claimed to be king of the Jews."</p> <p>²²Pilate answered, "What I have written, I have written."</p> <p>²³When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom.</p> <p>²⁴"Let's not tear it," they said to one another. "Let's decide by lot who will get it."</p> <p>This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled which said,</p> <p>"They divided my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing." So this is what the soldiers did.</p> <p>²⁵Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Dear woman, here is your son," ²⁷and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.</p>
<p><i>The Death of Jesus – roughly 3:00 PM</i></p> <p>⁴⁵From the sixth hour until the ninth hour darkness came over all the land. ⁴⁶About the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?"-- which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"</p> <p>⁴⁷When some of those standing there heard this, they said, "He's calling Elijah."</p>	<p>³³At the sixth hour darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. ³⁴And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?"-- which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"</p> <p>³⁵When some of those standing near heard this, they said, "Listen, he's calling Elijah."</p>	<p>⁴⁴It was now about the sixth hour, and darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour, ⁴⁵for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." When he had said this, he breathed his last.</p>	<p>²⁸Later, knowing that all was now completed, and so that the Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." ²⁹A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. ³⁰When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head</p>

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⁴⁸ Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a stick, and offered it to Jesus to drink. ⁴⁹ The rest said, "Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to save him." ⁵⁰ And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.	³⁶ One man ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a stick, and offered it to Jesus to drink. "Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to take him down," he said. ³⁷ With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last.		and gave up his spirit.
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