
Convicting An Innocent Man

Mark 14:53-64; 15:1-15

The two trials of Jesus demonstrated:
His perfect innocence
His complete control

“*Abba*, Father! All things are possible for you. Take this cup away from me. Nevertheless, not what I will, but what you will.”

Mark 14:36

⁵³ They led Jesus away to the high priest, and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes assembled.

⁵⁴ Peter followed Him at a distance, right into the high priest's courtyard. He was sitting with the servants, warming himself by the fire.

⁵⁵ The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death, but they could not find any.

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⁵⁶ For many were giving false testimony against Him, and the testimonies did not agree. ⁵⁷ Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, stating, ⁵⁸ “We heard him say, ‘I will destroy this temple made with human hands, and in three days I will build another not made by hands.’ ” ⁵⁹ Yet their testimony did not agree even on this.

Mark 14:53-56

“Destroy this temple,’ and I will raise it up in three days.”

John 2:19

²⁵ Therefore, Jesus is able to save completely those who come to God through him, since He always lives to intercede for them.

²⁶ For this is the kind of high priest we need: holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷ He doesn't need to offer sacrifices every day, as high priests do—first for their own sins, then for those of the people. He did this once for all time when He offered himself.

Hebrews 7:25-27

God made the one who did not know sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:21

²³ Now “*it was credited to him*” was not written for Abraham alone, ²⁴ but also for us. It will be credited to us who believe in Him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. ²⁵ He was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

Romans 4:23-25

⁶⁰ Then the high priest stood up before them all and questioned Jesus, “Don’t you have an answer to what these men are testifying against you?” ⁶¹ But he kept silent and did not answer. Again the high priest questioned him, “Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?”

⁶² “I am,” said Jesus, “and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming with the clouds of heaven.” ...

⁶³ Then the high priest tore his robes and said, “Why do we still need witnesses? ⁶⁴ You have heard the blasphemy. What is your decision?” They all condemned him as deserving death.

⁶⁵ Then some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to beat him, saying, “Prophecy!” The temple servants also took him and slapped him.

Mark 14:60-65

He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth.

Like a lamb led to the slaughter and like a sheep silent before her shearers, he did not open his mouth.

Isaiah 53:7

And Jesus would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew Him.

Mark 1:34

¹¹ Whenever the unclean spirits saw Jesus, they fell down before Him and cried out, “You are the Son of God!” ¹² And He would strongly warn them not to make Him known.

Mark 3:11-12

Peter answered Him, “You are the Messiah.”³⁰ And Jesus strictly warned them to tell no one about Him.

Mark 8:29-30

³² They were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. The disciples were astonished, but those who followed him were afraid. Taking the Twelve aside again, he began to tell them the things that would happen to him.

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³³ “See, we are going up to Jerusalem. The Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death. Then they will hand him over to the Gentiles, ³⁴ and they will mock him, spit on him, flog him, and kill him, and he will rise after three days.”

Mark 10:32-34

...you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming with the clouds of heaven.

Mark 14:62

...and suddenly one like a son of man was coming with the clouds of heaven.

He approached the Ancient of Days and was escorted before him.

¹⁴ He was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, so that those of every people, nation, and language should serve him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will not be destroyed.

Daniel 7:13-14

**¹ This is the declaration of the LORD to my Lord:
“Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies your
footstool.”**

**² The LORD will extend your mighty scepter from
Zion. Rule over your surrounding enemies.**

Psalms 110:1-2

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Mark 14:63-64

²So Pilate asked Him, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

Jesus answered him, “You say so.”

Mark 15:2

They began to accuse Him, saying, “We found this man misleading our nation, opposing payment of taxes to Caesar, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.”

Luke 23:2

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Mark 15:2

²³ “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ Truly I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains by itself. But if it dies, it produces much fruit.”

John 12:23-24

¹⁴ He erased the certificate of debt, with its obligations, that was against us and opposed to us, and has taken it away by nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and disgraced them publicly; he triumphed over them in him.

Colossians 2:14-15

...everything is for your benefit so that, as grace extends through more and more people, it may cause thanksgiving to increase to the glory of God.

2 Corinthians 4:15