

CHAPTER 127

Tried by the Sanhedrin, Then On to Pilate

(Matthew 27:1-11) When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people consulted together against Jesus to put him to death. 2 After binding him, they led him off and handed him over to Pilate, the governor. 3 Then Judas, his betrayer, seeing that Jesus had been condemned, felt remorse and brought the 30 pieces of silver back to the chief priests and elders, 4 saying: “I sinned when I betrayed innocent blood.” They said: “What is that to us? You must see to it!” 5 So he threw the silver pieces into the temple and departed. Then he went off and hanged himself. 6 But the chief priests took the silver pieces and said: “It is not lawful to put them into the sacred treasury, because they are the price of blood.” 7 After consulting together, they used the money to buy the potter’s field as a burial place for strangers. 8 Therefore, that field has been called Field of Blood to this very day. 9 Then what was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled: “And they took the 30 silver pieces, the price that was set on the man, the one on whom a price was set by some of the sons of Israel, 10 and they gave them for the potter’s field, according to what Jehovah had commanded me.” 11 Jesus now stood before the governor, and the governor put the question to him: “Are you the King of the Jews?” Jesus replied: “You yourself say it.” (Mark 15:1) Immediately at dawn, the chief priests with the elders and the scribes, indeed, the whole San’he-drin, consulted together, and they bound Jesus and led him off and handed him over to Pilate.

(Luke 22:66-23:3) And when it became day, the assembly of elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they led him into their San’he-drin hall and said: 67 “If you are the Christ, tell us.” But he said to them: “Even if I told you, you would not believe it at all. 68 Moreover, if I questioned

you, you would not answer. 69 However, from now on the Son of man will be seated at the powerful right hand of God.” 70 At this they all said: “Are you, therefore, the Son of God?” He said to them: “You yourselves are saying that I am.” 71 They said: “Why do we need further testimony? For we ourselves have heard it out of his own mouth.”

23 So the multitude got up, one and all, and led him to Pilate. 2 Then they began to accuse him, saying: “We found this man subverting our nation, forbidding the paying of taxes to Caesar, and saying he himself is Christ a king.” 3 Now Pilate asked him the question: “Are you the King of the Jews?” In answer he said: “You yourself are saying it.”

(John 18:28-35) Then they led Jesus from Ca’ia·phas to the governor’s residence. It was now early in the morning. But they themselves did not enter into the governor’s residence, so that they would not get defiled but could eat the Passover. 29 So Pilate came outside to them and said: “What accusation do you bring against this man?” 30 They answered him: “If this man were not a wrongdoer, we would not have handed him over to you.” 31 So Pilate said to them: “Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law.” The Jews said to him: “It is not lawful for us to kill anyone.” 32 This was to fulfill the word that Jesus had spoken to indicate what sort of death he was about to die. 33 So Pilate entered the governor’s residence again and called Jesus and said to him: “Are you the King of the Jews?” 34 Jesus answered: “Are you asking this of your own originality, or did others tell you about me?” 35 Pilate replied: “I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests handed you over to me. What did you do?”

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(Daniel 7:13) “I kept watching in the visions of the night, and look! with the clouds of the heavens, someone like a son of man was coming; and he gained access to the Ancient

of Days, and they brought him up close before that One.

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(Matthew 26:63) But Jesus kept silent. So the high priest said to him: “I put you under oath by the living God to tell us whether you are the Christ, the Son of God!”

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(Mark 14:64) You heard the blasphemy. What is your decision?” They all condemned him as deserving of death.

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(Matthew 27:4) saying: “I sinned when I betrayed innocent blood.” They said: “What is that to us? You must see to it!”

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(Acts 1:17, 18) For he had been numbered among us and he obtained a share in this ministry. 18 (This very man, therefore, purchased a field with the wages for unrighteousness, and falling headfirst, his body burst open and all his insides spilled out.

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◇Why does the Sanhedrin reconvene in the morning?

◇How does Judas die, and what happens to the 30 pieces of silver?

◇On what charges do the Jews want Pilate to have Jesus killed?

