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Triumph Tuesday

Wisdom Wednesday

Mark 15

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JOHN MARK IS THE AUTHOR OF THE BOOK OF MARK

Companion of Apostle Peter, referred to as my son Mark

ROME LOCATION

Composed stated by some scholars AD 60-70 for the Romans.

Documenting Peter's account of Jesus's life.

Fast paced, focusing on signs and wonders of Jesus to encourage Christians suffering in Rome.

Part of the Synoptic Gospels

Also known as Mark the Evangelist

Focused on Jesus Betrayal and His victory over death, solidify His role as the Messiah

KEY ROLE PLAYERS IN THE BOOK OF MARK 15

JESUS—THE SON OF GOD—THE SUFFERING SERVANT

Who is Pontius Pilate?



Pontius Pilate was a Roman Governor
Reigned during AD 26-36 AD

Responsible for law and order, collecting taxes, overseeing justice.

Influential in the trial of Jesus.

He was viewed as a weak and indecisive leader.

Known as a harsh and brutal leader,

6th Roman Procurator of Judea (where is Judea located and its features)

Judea mountainous historical region located in the southern part of Levant or modern-day West Bank and parts of southern Israel. Between the dead sea and south of Jerusalem. Territory where the name Jew” is derived.

The council made of chief priest, high priest, Sadducees, Pharisees, religious leaders, the crowd blaspheming Him Roman Solders who were gambling for his clothes.

First Century Israel



This region transitioned from Herodian (1st century Jewish political group that supported the Herodian dynasty) client kings to direct rule by Roman procurators/prefects starting in 6 AD which included Pontius Pilate and Antonius Felix.

The people were divided between religious-political factions like the Pharisees, (gave oral tradition equal authority to the written Word of God, if the Sadducees could not find a command in the Tanakh, they dismissed it as manmade, believed in an afterlife and in an appropriate reward and punishment for individuals, represented the common people and the respect of the masses, controlled the synagogue's), Sadducees, (religious sect with Judaism more concerned with politics than religion, they ignored Jesus until they

started to fear that he might cause dissension and bring attention to them, gave oral tradition equal authority to the written Word of God, denied afterlife, wealthy and held more powerful position, controlled the Temple of Jerusalem, the soul perishes at death)
Zealot

(movement of Judean Jews dedicated to overthrowing Roman Rule in Palestine, key players in the Great Jewish Revolt) and Essenes (strict Jewish sect, lived communal isolation, near the Dead Sea, believed the Temple priesthood was corrupt, they disappeared 70AD after the destruction of the Jerusalem Temple). Mark 7:8; Mark 14:53; Mark 15:1

Roman province of Judea encompassed Judea, Samaria, Idumea and Galilee.

The rise of Christianity began in Jerusalem.

The Great Revolt (66-70 AD) occurred due to rise in conflict pertaining to social, economic and religious pressures, leading to a massive revolt against Rome.

The chief priest came from the tribe of LEVI and high priest were descendants of AARON.

Jesus Faces Pilate And the Council Members



This is where the Sadducees, Pharisees, chief priest, high priest and council members decided to put aside their differences and convict Jesus despite, the fact he had not committed a crime.

Pharisees were in constant conflict with Jesus. Sadducees were more elitists. Tended to be wealthy and held more powerful positions. Many served as the chief priest and high priest. They held many of the seats in the council.

In addition, the Sadducees were more concerned about politics than religion, they ignored Jesus until they thought he was becoming a threat by upsetting the status quo-fear overtook them.

Pharisees represented the common people and the respect of the masses. They controlled the synagogues. They relied on oral traditions.

Th only time they worked together was to unite and conspire to put Jesus to death. (John 11:48)

15 Immediately, in the morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council; and they bound Jesus, led *Him* away, and delivered *Him* to Pilate. ² Then Pilate asked Him, “Are You the King of the Jews?” He answered and said to him, “*It is as you say.*”

³ And the chief priests accused Him of many things, but He answered nothing. ⁴ Then Pilate asked Him again, saying, “Do You answer nothing? See how many things ^[a]they testify against You!” ⁵ But Jesus still answered nothing, so that Pilate marveled.

Who is Barabbas?



1st Century Jewish Prisoner

Charges were murder, robbery and rebellion against Roman Rule

Crowd demanded his release instead of Jesus who was not guilty of anything

His name is derived from Hebrew/Aramaic meaning (bar: son) (abbas:” father”)

Some save his full name was Jesus Barrabas

Represented sinful humanity

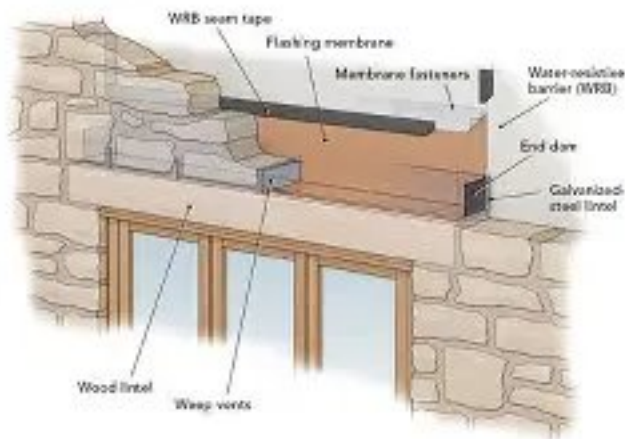
What is Passover?

The Hebrew word for Passover is Pasch which means spare or pass over. The New Testament identifies Jesus as the Passover Lamb. The 15th of Nisan (Passover) signifies the commencement of a seven-day observance.

LINTELS (BEAMS, SUPPORT BEAMS, JOIST) BEARS THE LOAD OF THE STRUCTURE)

(MADE OF STEELS, CONCRETE, TIMBER/WOOD OR STONE)

THE PICTURE ILLUSTRATES WHERE THE LINTELS WERE PLACED TO SUPPORT THE STRUCTURE OF THE BUILDING! I'M SURE IN MODERN DAY CONSTRUCTION SOMETHING OF THIS NATURE IS ALSO USED.



Taking the Place of Barabbas



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Who was Barabbas? His name in Aramaic means son of the father. He was a notorious criminal and insurrectionist imprisoned by the Romans for murder and robbery. He is mentioned in all four gospels. He was viewed as a representative of all humanity, illustrating the substitutionary death of Jesus. The guilty (Barabbas) is set free, while the innocent (Jesus) takes his place. Pilate knew Jesus was being railroaded and it was “out of self-interest that the chief priest had handed Jesus over to him (Mark 15:10) he looked for a way to save Jesus and keep the peace. It was customary to release a Jewish Prisoner before the Feast of Passover (Mark 15:6). This was an act of goodwill. The crowd wanted Barabbas to be set free and Jesus killed. It is not clear what happened to him upon his release. (Got Questions: Who was Barabbas in the Bible)

⁶ Now at the feast he was accustomed to releasing one prisoner to them, whomever they requested. ⁷ And there was one named Barabbas, *who* was chained with his fellow rebels; they had committed murder in the rebellion. ⁸ Then the multitude, [_b]crying aloud, began to ask *him to do* just as he had always done for them. ⁹ But Pilate answered them, saying, “Do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?” ¹⁰ For he knew that the chief priests had handed Him over because of **envy**.

ENVY—bible defines it as sinful condition, resentment, malice, or displeasure at the blessing of, success, or superiority of others. Failure to trust in God’s goodness, questioning His provisions and justice. Thus, the religious leaders were envious of Jesus because he was affecting their status among the people. He was challenging their authority among the people. Some people were starting to question their decisions.

¹¹ But the chief priests stirred up the crowd, so that he should rather release Barabbas to them. ¹² Pilate answered and said to them again, “What then do you want me to do *with Him* whom you call the King of the Jews?”

¹³ So they cried out again, “Crucify Him!”

¹⁴ Then Pilate said to them, “Why, what evil has He done?”

But they cried out more, “Crucify Him!”

¹⁵ So Pilate, wanting to gratify the crowd, released Barabbas to them; and he delivered Jesus, after he had scourged *Him*, to be crucified.

Jeus on Trial

The Soldiers Mock Jesus



¹⁶ Then the soldiers led Him away into the hall called **Praetorium, (OFFICIAN RESIDENCE, HEADQUARTERS, JUDGMENT HALL OF PONTTIUS PILATE)**

and they called together the whole garrison. ¹⁷ And they clothed Him with purple; and they twisted a crown of thorns, put it on His *head*, ¹⁸ and began to salute Him, “Hail, King of the Jews!” ¹⁹ Then they struck Him on the head with a reed and spat on Him; and bowing the knee, they worshiped Him. ²⁰ And when they had mocked Him, they took the purple off Him, put His own clothes on Him, and led Him out to crucify Him.

The King on a Cross



²¹ Then they compelled a certain man, Simon a Cyrenian, (ancient city in Libya, Africa) the father of Alexander and Rufus, as he was coming out of the country and passing by, to bear His cross. ²² And they brought Him to the place Golgotha, which is translated,

Place of a Skull. ²³ Then they gave Him wine mingled with myrrh to drink, but He did not take it. ²⁴ And when they crucified Him, they divided His garments, casting lots for them to determine what every man should take.

Simon was on his way in the country, when he was stopped and forced by a Roman Soldier to carry Jesus' cross. Jesus started out carrying his own cross (John 19:17 ESV), but due to extreme pain and torture could not reach his destination. "And he went out bearing his own cross, to the place called, The Place of the Skull which in Aramaic is call Golgotha."

Simon of Cyrene is mentioned in three of the four Gospels: Matthew, Mark and Luke.

²⁵ Now it was the third hour, and they crucified Him. ²⁶ And the inscription of His ^[d]accusation was written above:

Accusation was he THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

The number three represents divine completeness, perfection, unity. Represents the trinity (Father, Son, Holy Spirit). Jesus resurrected on the third day, signifying victory over death. The third hour represents 9 a.m. and he died the ninth hour (approximately 3 p.m.) About 6 hours.

**JESUS CRUXIFICTION
PROPHECIED IN THE OLD
TESTAMENT (fulfillment of
regarding the Messiah's
suffering) Psalm 22.**

**The prophecies were written
hundreds of years before**



"Christ died for our sins." 1 Corinthians 15:3b

Christ, the crucifixion. The piercing of hands/feet (Psalm 22:16) rejection by the people (Isaiah 53:3) betrayal for 30 pieces of silver (Zechariah 11:12-13) and broken bones avoided (Psalm 34:20). It is finished (John 19:30)T, :Father, into your hands I commend my Spirit: (Luke 23:46) hese predictions also covered the mockery, gambling for clothes and death among criminals. Words of abandonment (psalms 22:1) My God, My God....

THE KING OF THE JEWS.

²⁷ With Him they also crucified two robbers, one on His right and the other on His left. ²⁸ [e]So the Scripture was fulfilled which says, “And He was numbered with the transgressors.”

²⁹ And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads and saying, “Aha! *You* who destroy the temple and build *it* in three days, ³⁰ save Yourself, and come down from the cross!”

³¹ Likewise the chief priests also, mocking among themselves with the scribes, said, “He saved others; Himself He cannot save. ³² Let the Christ, the King of Israel, descend now from the cross, that we may see and [f]believe.”

Even those who were crucified with Him reviled Him.

Jesus Dies on the Cross

³³ Now when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. ³⁴ And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?” which is translated, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?”

³⁵ Some of those who stood by, when they heard *that*, said, “Look, He is calling for Elijah!” ³⁶ Then someone ran and filled a sponge full of sour wine, put *it* on a reed, and offered *it* to Him to drink, saying, “Let Him alone; let us see if Elijah will come to take Him down.”



³⁷ And Jesus cried out with a loud voice and breathed His last.

³⁸ Then the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. ³⁹ So when the centurion, who stood

opposite Him, saw that [g]He cried out like this and breathed His last, he said, “Truly this Man was the Son of God!”

⁴⁰ There were also women looking on from afar, among whom were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James the Less and of Joses, and Salome, ⁴¹ who also followed Him and ministered to Him when He was in

Galilee, and many other women who came up with Him to Jerusalem.

JESUS BRINGING SALVATION THROUGH HIS ACTIONS

The crucifixion of Jesus is the central theme in Christian Theology, representing the voluntary sacrifice, atonement for humanity sins, and reconciliation with God through his death on the cross. It symbolizes God’s love, triumph over evil, and the promise of salvation forming the core of the Passion. Jesus died as a sinless son of God, died as a substitute for humanity to pay the penalty for Sin. (ROMANS 5:12), I PETER 2:22) acting as a ransom to free humanity from the bond of sin.

When you face the unjust assault of an evil world remember Jesus. The world says “save yourself” but Jesus remained silent. The world said “pamper yourself” but Jesus refused to be drugged. The world said, “save yourself” but Jesus remained on the cross and finished the work the Father had given him.

Jesus gave himself. On every turn Satan, his unsaved relatives, the crowd, Peter all tried to persuade him to serv yourself, pity yourself, show yourself, to save yourself. We all know that he has the power to do so if he so wanted. Yet, turned a deaf ear to all these petitions to save mankind from sin.

The suffering and death of Jesus. We must take up our cross to walk in personal transformation and surrender to God's will, modeled by the crucifixion. Dying on the cross is the ultimate proof of God's love.

His death was the fulfillment of the Old Testament Prophecies regarding the Messiah. We know that sin came into existence through one man, death through SIN, and so death spread to all men because all of us have sinned and fallen short. However, in Jesus there was no SIN. Death had no claim on Jesus. Jesus surrendered His own life. "No one can take my life from me I sacrificed it voluntarily." (John 10:18 NLT) Eternal life is provided by Jesus sacrifice.

They tried to kill HIM on a charge of blasphemy. The charge was false (John 10:30) and (Romans 1:4).

Jesus path to the cross shows that suffering is part of His mission, fulfilling the Messianic prophecy. Through Jesus suffering and sacrifice, Jesus exemplifies the ultimate expression of love and pathway to salvation for all who believe.

Jesus showed us his authority over sickness, demons, nature, and even death. He demonstrated that He is the Son of God, able to command both physical and spiritual realms, offering hope and deliverance to mankind.

Jesus Buried in Joseph's Tomb



⁴² Now when evening had come, because it was the Preparation Day, that is, the day before the Sabbath, ⁴³ Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent council member, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, coming and taking courage, went into Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. ⁴⁴ Pilate marveled that He was already dead; and

summoning the centurion, he asked him if He had been dead for some time. ⁴⁵ So when he found out from the centurion, he granted the body to Joseph. ⁴⁶ Then he bought fine linen, took Him down, and wrapped Him in the linen. And he laid Him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock and rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. ⁴⁷ And Mary Magdalene and Mary *the mother* of Joses observed where He was laid.

JESUS CRUXIFIXION PROPHECIED IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

The prophecies were written hundreds of years before Christ, the crucifixion. The piercing of hands/feet (Psalm 22:16) rejection by the people (Isaiah 53:3) betrayal for 30 pieces of silver (Zechariah 11:12-13, and broken bones avoided (Psalm 34:20) These predictions also covered the mockery, gambling for clothes and death among criminals. Because of the various prophecies throughout the bible, Jesus had to fulfill his Father's plan for his life.

As disciples of Christ, Jesus also has plans for us to fulfill as we continue this journey called life. Are you prepared to leave this world empty, fulfilling all that is required of us? Our goal should be to spread the good news every where we go, share the goodness of Jesus, sow seeds, pray for one another, love one another, serve one another. Because Jesus came to serve mankind, not to be served. Sometimes, we forget our purpose and falter along the way sometimes. But thank God, we serve a God of restoration and forgiveness. Jesus died on the cross so that each of us could have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whosoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life. (NIV) God's love for humanity.

JESUS ROSE AGAIN

They tried to guard his body. But, on the third day, He rose from the dead and appeared to more than 500 people at once. Through His death He was able to make a way for us to establish a person relationship with GOD and because He lives, we have a new life in Christ Jesus

**WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS CONCERNING THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS?
DO YOU THINK HE SHOULD HAVE SAVED HIMSELF?**

**IN CLOSING, I WANT TO LEAVE YOU WITH THESE WORDS FROM A SONG
RECENTLY SHARED WITH ME.**

Thus, our goal is to prepare ourselves to meet Jesus. As I close with a few words from the song WHEN I MEET JESUS by songwriter Jeremy Rosado: **CLOSE YOUR EYES AND CONCENTRATE ON THE WORDS!**

[Verse 1]

**When I meet Jesus
And I see my Savior's face
I will step into His glory, forever changed
And my broken pieces
They will no longer remain
All the hurt that I've been feelin' will go away**

[Pre-Chorus]

**From nothing to something
Who I am and who I wasn't
I can finally be who He made me to be**

[Chorus]

**When I meet Jesus
All my worries and my fears will fade away
When He calls my name
When I meet Jesus
I'll be home and there to stay when He tells me
"Well done, My good and faithful servant
You are loved, you were worth it"
When I meet Jesus**

[Verse 2]

**When I get to Heaven
And I see those streets of gold
More beautiful than stories ever told
The glow of Your presence
Will illuminate the sky
What a powerful and wonderful sight**

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