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Events Leading Up To Our Text

- ◆ Betrayed & arrested - Mat 26:47-56
- ◆ Before Annas - John 18:12
- ◆ Taken to Caiphas & Sanhedrin - Mat 26:57-67
- ◆ Taken to Pilate - Mat 27:2, 11-14
- ◆ Taken to Herod - Luke 23:8-11
- ◆ Back to Pilate, who sought to release Him . . .



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¹⁵ Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to releasing to the multitude one prisoner whom they wished.* ¹⁶ And at that time they had a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. ¹⁷ Therefore, when they had gathered together, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release to you? Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?" ¹⁸ For he knew that they had handed Him over because of envy.



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¹⁹ While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent to him, saying, "Have nothing to do with that just Man, for I have suffered many things today in a dream because of Him." ²⁰ But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitudes that they should ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. ²¹ The governor answered and said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?"
They said, "Barabbas!"



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They all said to him, "Let Him be crucified!" ²³ Then the governor said, "Why, what evil has He done?" But they cried out all the more, saying, "Let Him be crucified!"



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²⁴ When Pilate saw that he could not prevail at all, but rather *that* a tumult was rising, he took water and washed *his* hands before the multitude, saying, "I am innocent of the blood of this just Person. You see *to it*." ²⁵ And all the people answered and said, "His blood *be* on us and on our children." ²⁶ Then he released Barabbas to them; and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered *Him* to be crucified.



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What Has Been Will Be

- ◆ There are two answers to the question - "Belief" or "Unbelief" - Mt 7:13,14
- ◆ People manifested their "unbelief" in a variety of ways in the New Testament!
- ◆ People answer the question in the same ways today

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- ◆ Judas betrayed Him - Mat 26:14-16
- ◆ Peter denied Him - Mat 26:69-75
- ◆ The crowd cried "crucify Him" - Mat 27:22,23
- ◆ Pilate tried to be neutral - Mat 27:23,24
- ◆ Saul persecuted Him - Acts 9:1-5
- ◆ Felix postponed Him - Acts 24:24,25
- ◆ Agrippa was almost persuaded - Acts 26:28
- ◆ Many were & are persuaded - Acts 2:36-47

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- ◆ Why not obey the gospel today - (2 Cor 6:2)
 - ✦ Believe in him - John 8:24
 - ✦ Repent of your sins - Luke 13:3
 - ✦ Confess Him - Rom 10:9-10
 - ✦ Be baptized into Him for the remission of your sins - Acts 22:16
 - ✦ Remain faithful to him - Rev 2:10

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◆ To refuse to obey Him we:

- ✦ Betray Him
- ✦ Deny Him
- ✦ Cry crucify Him
- ✦ Hurt Him

◆ No excuse . . .

- ✦ Can't be neutral -
- ✦ Do not put Him off -
- ✦ Almost persuaded is to be altogether lost

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- ◆ On the Judgment Day Your Opportunity to Answer the Question Will Be Forever Gone ... (Heb 9:27)
- ◆ The Question On That Day Will Be - "What Will Jesus Do With YOU!" - (John 12:48; 2 Thes 1:7-9)

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