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**Lesson 6 – Jesus and the Rulers**

**Mark 15 :1-20**

**Day 1 – Review**

1. What challenged or encouraged you from the lecture, and how did it help you in your Christian walk?

2. What in the notes helped you to understand God’s Word, and how did you apply it?

**Day 2 – Read Mark 15: 1-5**

*Please pray before beginning your lesson. One possible verse to pray is Psalm 51:10. Please create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.*

3. Following the council’s illegal night meeting, where did the whole Sanhedrin council take Jesus and why? Refer to Luke 3:1

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4.Based upon what we learn in Luke 23:2 what charge did the Sanhedrin bring against Jesus to Pilate?

5. What question did Pilate ask Jesus in vs 2? How did Jesus answer?

6. ***Thought Question:*** How would you explain the change in Jesus’ response when he made no further answer to Pilate’s questioning in verse 4?

7. What prophecy in Isaiah chapter 53 does Mark 15:4-5 fulfill?

***Apply this day:*** *In this passage, Jesus stands for truth yet without defending Himself. How do you respond when you’re treated unfairly, criticized, or even attacked? Ask God to enable you to speak the truth in love without growing defensive.*

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**Day 3 – Read Mark 15: 6-15**

*Please pray before beginning your lesson.*

8. According to verse 10, what does Pilate realize is motivating the religious leaders?

9. ***Thought Question:*** Look up the definition of the word envy. What are some implications of this destructive emotion?

10. In your own words, explain what Pilate was deciding to do in this passage.

11. Who stirs up the crowd, and what did they want to happen?

12. ***Personal Question:*** Where in your life are you allowing other people to push you into wrong actions?

13. From verse 15, what do you observe about the character of Pilate?

***Apply this day:*** *Envy, jealousy and people pleasing will always trip you up. Take time today to evaluate how you make decisions. Ask God to show you areas of your life where you need to repent and ask Him to help you change your behavior.*

**Day 4 – Reread Mark 15: 6-15**

*Please pray before beginning your lesson.*

14. ***Thought Question:*** What is ironic about Pilate’s release of Barabbas rather than Jesus? See Acts 3:14

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15. What additional punishment does Pilate give to Jesus before delivering Him over to be crucified?

16. In your own words, describe why Pilate gave in to the crowd’s demand that he crucify Jesus? Contrast verse 14 and verse 15 to help with your answer.

17. ***Personal Question:*** Where in your own life are you pretending that you don’t know God’s will instead of obeying it?

18. Read Acts 3:17-20. What two things does God promise when we repent of our sins? If possible, share with the group when you have experienced a time of refreshing from the Lord.

***Apply this day:*** *Pilate knew that Jesus was not guilty but did not act on that truth. Today, ask God to show you where you have been given truth in His Word but are not acting on it. Repent and receive refreshing from the Lord!*

**Day 5 – Read Mark 15: 16-20**

*Please pray before beginning your lesson.*

19. Read Matthew 27: 27-31. List the Roman soldiers’ offenses against Jesus.

20. How would you explain the actions of the Roman soldiers?

21. Write down some words or phrases from the following passages that describe Jesus being mocked by the soldiers:

Isaiah 53:7-

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Psalm 22: 6-7-

Isaiah 50:6-

22. ***Personal Question:*** How do you respond when those around you mock Jesus today? Reflect upon Galatians 1:8-9 “Anyone who does not love the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed.”

***Apply this day:*** *What will you do with Jesus, who is called the Christ? Allow the cross to penetrate deeply beneath the surface of your heart today, growing your love for Jesus. May your heart echo that praise today.*

**Day 6 – Reread Mark  15 : 4-5 (SOAP)**

*Please pray before beginning your lesson.*

**Scripture** – *Write the verses.*

**Observation** – *Record something you learned from these verses*. *Possible questions to ask for observation: What principle do I learn? What warning should I heed? What commandment should I obey? What aspect of God’s character do I see?*

**Application** – *How can I apply these verses to my life?*

**Prayer** – *Pray to God, praise Him, and ask Him for what you need in response to what you learned. Write down your prayer.*