

# Holy Week 2020 Devotions

## Day 6: “The Trial and Crucifixion”



Matthew 27:1-2, 11-31, 45-50;  
Mark 15:1-19; Luke 22:66 – 23:25;  
John 18:28 – 19:42

The trial and ultimate crucifixion of Jesus is captured with each of the gospels giving details that some of the others do not include.

“Then Pilate said to Him, ‘Do you not hear how many things they testify against You?’  
But He answered him not one word.”

- Are there times when you have felt the prompting of the Holy Spirit not to defend yourself of false accusations? Were you obedient and held your peace?

“‘Crucify Him!’ Then Pilate said to them,  
‘Why? What has he done?’  
But they cried out all the more,  
‘Crucify Him!’”

- The crucifixion was crowd driven and emotionally charged. Have you ever allowed yourself to make a decision that was influenced by those around you that you later regretted?

“If I tell you, you will by no means believe.  
If I ask you, you will by no means answer Me  
or let Me go.”

- Have you encountered a situation like Jesus did that even if you told the truth you would not be believed?

“Father, forgive them, for they do not  
know what they do.”

- This statement from Jesus is the pinnacle of grace given before salvation is complete through death. Have you reached the point that you can forgive people who you know have purposely harmed you in the midst of the consequences of their actions against you?

## Reflection and Prayer

The key to understanding our salvation, through Jesus’ forgiveness, is our willingness to forgive those who have offended us before they ask or recognize what they have done. Are there things that you need to forgive people for that they have not acknowledged or confessed?