

Questions on John chapter 19

1. What was the Roman method of scourging and why did Pilate order Jesus to be scourged? Verses 1-3.

2. What do you think was Pilate's purpose in bringing Jesus out after the scourging? Verses 4-5.

3. Why did Pilate say, "Take ye him, and crucify him"? Verses 6-7.

4. Why didn't Jesus answer Pilate's question, "Whence art thou?" Verses 8-9.

5. Why did Jesus remind Pilate of the origin of his authority, and what was Pilate's sin in connection with Jesus? Verses 10-11.

6. What was the purpose of the Jews in saying, "If thou let this man go, thou art not Caesar's friend?" Verses 12-13.

7. What is the “preparation” of the Passover? Was Jesus crucified on Friday? Verse 14.

8. Was the Jews’ statement “We have no king but Caesar” really true? If not, why not? Verse 15.

9. What is the meaning of “Golgotha” and where was it located with reference to the city of Jerusalem and why was Jesus crucified between two criminals? Verses 16-18.

10. What did Pilate write as a title, and why did he write it, and why did he write it in three languages? Verses 19-20.

11. What was the objection of the Jews to the title and why do you think Pilate refused to change it? Verses 21-22.

12. Why did the soldiers gamble for Jesus’ coat and what scripture did that fulfill? Verses 23-24.

13. How many women were at the cross? Verse 25.

14. Why did Jesus address his mother in such an impersonal way and what provisions did he make for her care? Verses 26-27.

15. What scripture was fulfilled by the thirst Jesus was experiencing? Also, do you think there could be a deeper significance than physical thirst? Verse 28.

16. Why did Jesus receive the vinegar or sour wine now when he had earlier refused to receive it? Verses 29-30. (See Mark 15:23)

17. Why were the Jews so concerned about Jesus hanging on the cross overnight? Verse 31.

18. What did breaking the legs have to do with hastening the death of those on the cross and why didn't they break Jesus' legs? Verses 32-33.

19. How does John provide irrefutable proof that Jesus did not merely swoon or faint on the cross to be later revived by his disciples? Verses 34-35.

20. What Old Testament scriptures were fulfilled when Jesus' legs were not broken but his side was pierced? Verses 36-37.

21. Can you name four things about Joseph revealed by gospel writers? Verse 38.

22. Was there anything significant about the "hundred pounds" of spices? Verse 39. (See 2 Chronicles 16:14 and Jeremiah 34:5)

23. What prophecy was fulfilled in Jesus' burial in Joseph's tomb? Verse 40.

24. Why were the usual customs of Jewish burials forgone on this occasion? Verse 41.