Questions on Mark chapter 15

1. Why did the chief priests deliver Jesus to Pilate? Verses 1-2.

2. What was it in the conduct of Jesus that caused Pilate to marvel? Verses 3-5.

3. What was it about Barabbas that would appeal to the Jewish multitude? Verses 6-7.

4. Do you think Pilate was familiar with the issues of the Jewish leaders concerning Jesus? Verse 8-10.

5. What evidence of an unreasonable mob spirit do we see? Verses 11-13.

6. Why didn’t the chief priests tell Pilate that Jesus was guilty of blasphemy in answer to Pilate’s question? Verse 14.

7. If Pilate knew Jesus was innocent, why scourge Him and sentence Him to death? Verses 15-16.

8. Were the Roman soldiers forestalled or inhibited by the meek and gentle demeanor of Jesus? Verses 17-20.

9. Didn’t Jesus bear His own cross? Is this a contradiction? Verses 21-22. (See John 19:17 and Luke 23:26)

10. Why did Jesus refuse this wine but receive sour wine (vinegar) later? Verses 23-24.

11. Why did the men need to cast lots since they had parted His garments? Verses 24-25. (See John 19:23-24)

12. What was the indignity heaped upon Jesus when He was crucified? Verses 26-28.

13. What were the two main taunts the people and the thieves called out to Jesus as they reviled Him? Verses 29-32.

14. What do you think caused the darkness and how long did it last? Verse 33.

15. What did Jesus cry out and what did the bystanders make of it? Verses 34-35.

16. Why did they give Jesus vinegar (sour wine) to drink and why say, “Let alone”? Verse 36. (See John 19:28-29)

17. What supernatural event occurred at the death of Jesus? Verse 37.

18. What was the conviction of the centurion after observing the events at Calvary? Verse 38.

19. Why were the women from Galilee following Jesus? Verses 40-41.

20. What was the haste involved in Joseph’s bold request for the body of Jesus? Verses 42-43.

21. Why did Pilate marvel at the speedy death of Jesus? Verse 44.

22. What did Pilate do before he gave the body of Jesus to Joseph? Verse 45.

23. What kind of burial did Joseph give Jesus? Verse 46.

24. Who were the last friends of Jesus to leave the tomb? Verse 47. (See Matthew 27:60-61)