

***“THE KING OF THE JEWS”***

**Mark 15:1-15**

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**I. Wrongly convicted of blasphemy, what happens to Jesus? (vv. 1-5)**

*“Are you the King of the Jews?”*

*“You say.”*

*“the chief priests accused Him of many things”*

Jesus is revealed as King of the \_\_\_\_\_ before the \_\_\_\_\_.

**Proverbs 12:18; 25:18**

**Luke 23:2**

**John 18:36**

**Hebrews 12:2**

*“They would need to persuade Pilate- known to be a despiser of the Jews- to let them have their way.”*  
-Sinclair Ferguson

**II. Pilate has an offer for the Jews regarding their king (vv. 6-11)**

*“Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?”*

Unbelievers choose \_\_\_\_\_ over the King of the Jews.

**Isaiah 53:7-8**

*“All the time Jesus was unveiling His true identity. But they did not have eyes to see it.”*  
-Sinclair Ferguson

III. Having chosen Barabbas what do they want done with Jesus? (vv. 12-15)

*"Then what shall I do with the man you call the King of the Jews?"*

*"Crucify Him."*

*"Why? What evil has He done?"*

The King of Jews is \_\_\_\_\_ in the place of \_\_\_\_\_ like us.

**2 Corinthians 5:21**

**Galatians 2:20-21**

**1 Peter 3:18**

*"(Crucifixion) was a protracted, bloody, public spectacle of extreme pain that usually ended in a horrible death by shock or asphyxiation."* -Tim Keller

*"Jesus was not dying for his own crimes, but for the crimes of others; not for his own sins, but the sins of others. He did not die for himself, he died for us!"*

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*Acknowledging Jesus as our king "means to place ourselves in absolute submission to his will, to turn over our lives to his service, and to make him Lord of our lives."*

-Mark Strauss

*"Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all."*

-Isaac Watts, *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

**Big Idea:** Jesus is the unlikely King of the Jews who did the unexpected.

**Digging Deeper:**

1. Do you recognize Jesus as King? Why?
2. How do you respond to His authority as King?
3. Why is it important to believe that Jesus died in our place?