



# DIGGING DEEPER

John 18v28 – 19v16 – **The Glorious One  
Condemned**

**PLEASE READ** – John 18v28-19v16

## **GETTING STARTED**

Have a look at Ch 18v27-28 – How do these 2 verses connect what's happened with what's about to happen and how do they help us put together a rough timeline of events?

Does the speed at which these events happen surprise you?

## **1) JEWISH LEADERS – FULL OF HATE**

Chat about the actions of the Jewish leaders in v28 and how absurd they are given what they have just done and what they are about to do...

How helpful are Jesus words in Mt 23v25-28 in understanding their actions here?

Continue to build a profile of the Jewish leaders from the verses below...

18v31-32

18v38-40

19v4-6

19v15

Do you think that level of hatred is present in the same way today or not? If so how does it make you feel?

## 2) PONTIUS PILATE – FULL OF FEAR

What was Pilate's view of Jesus? See 18v38 / 19v4 / 19v6 / 19v12

Why then did Pilate firstly have Jesus flogged (19v1) and then hand him over to be crucified (19v16)?

The Jewish leaders play their trump card in v12. Why was it so effective?

Where do we see the actions of Pilate mirrored in our own lives and in the world around us?

## 3) KING JESUS – FULL OF GRACE

What do we learn in this passage about Jesus and the 'hour' for which he came? Consider these key phrases...

*"My Kingdom is not of this world" (v36)*

*"Everyone on the side of truth listens to me" (v37)*

*"I find no basis for a charge against him" (v38)*

*"They shouted back, 'No, not him! Give us Barabbas!'" (v40)*

*"The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head" (v1)*

*"You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above" (v11)*

**Meditate on the words of John...**

**John 1v14:** The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.