

Sermon Notes

Jesus' Trial Before Pilate Selflessness vs. Selfishness

Matthew 27:11-26

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Text sermon questions, during the sermon, to (602) 824-8030

Pilate hears accusations by Jewish leaders & questions Jesus (vv. 11-14)

Jesus is King.

Jesus' silence

Jesus was willing to selflessly serve God and us.

Pilate was greatly amazed. As we should be.

Pilate gives the crowd an opportunity to release a prisoner (vv. 15-23)

The Jewish leaders are envious,
selfishly defending their position.

Pilate gives the crowd an opportunity to release a prisoner (vv. 15-23)

Jesus or Barabbas, what kind of savior did they want

Pilate's wife's dream

The Jewish leaders persuade the crowd.

The crowd calls for Jesus to be crucified.

Pilate gives Jesus to be crucified, but tries to deny guilt (vv. 24-26)

Pilate was unjust and selfish.

Jesus is the model of selflessness we are supposed to follow.

**Where & how are you being selfish,
and not looking out for the interests of others?**

Jesus is flogged. He suffered for us.

What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.

Related reading: Philippians 2:3-8, Isaiah 53:5-8

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Application questions for 8/31/15 sermon
Matthew 27:11-26

(To answer this first question, you may need to draw upon things you've learned in Matthew prior to this week's passage.)

How do you think Jesus was able to have the strength of conviction to stay moving toward the cross, instead of defending Himself?

What does it mean to you that Jesus suffered for you?
(maybe read Isaiah 53:5-8 together)

In what ways was Jesus a model of selflessness in what He was doing?

Do you agree that at any given moment in our lives, selfishness, is likely a problem we each have somewhere and at some level?

Right now, where are you being selfish, and not looking out for the interests of others?
Thinking about it another way, how are you expecting others to meet your needs, rather than looking for how you can meet the needs of others?
(in your home, at work, in some other relationship, in the church, maybe more than one)

How might you change that? How might you look out for the interest of others?

Does thinking about what Jesus did, help? How?

Bonus:

Was there anything new or interesting you learned in this sermon?