PEOPLE ON THE WAY



Today (Passion Sunday): Barabbas

Mark 15 v1-15

Matthew 20 v28

to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

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So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

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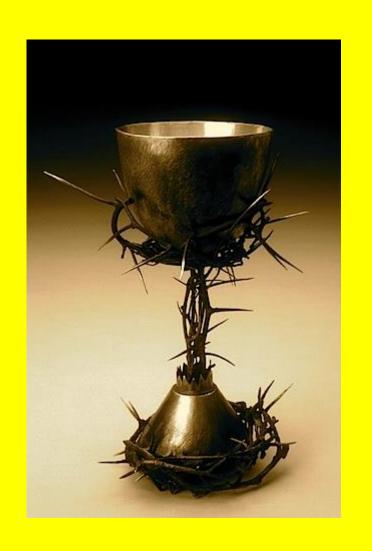
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Matthew 20 v22b-23

'We can' they answered.

Jesus said to them, 'you will indeed drink from my cup, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared by my Father'



Luke 23 v39-43

One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"

But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom]" Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

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A notorious prisoner (Matt 27 v16)

A rebel, murderer and insurrectionist (Mk 15 v7)

Guilty of breaking God's law by taking the lives of his image bearers (Genesis 9 v5-6)

Deserving of death (Luke 23 v25 & Acts 3 v14)

THE CHIEF PRIESTS (Mark 15)

They had 'made their plans' (v1)

They had formulated their accusations (v3)

They had put their own interests first (v10)

They had primed others (v11)

Proverbs 6 v12-19

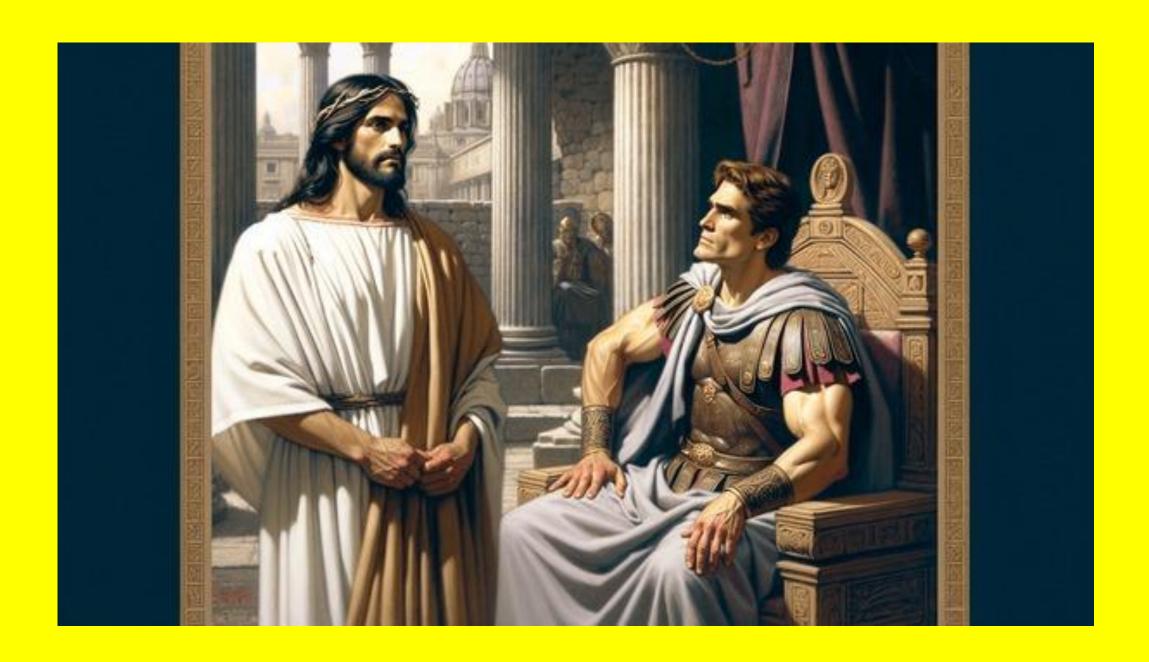
A troublemaker and a villain, who goes about with a corrupt mouth, who winks maliciously with his eye, signals with his feet and motions with his fingers, who plots evil with deceit in his heart—he always stirs up conflict.

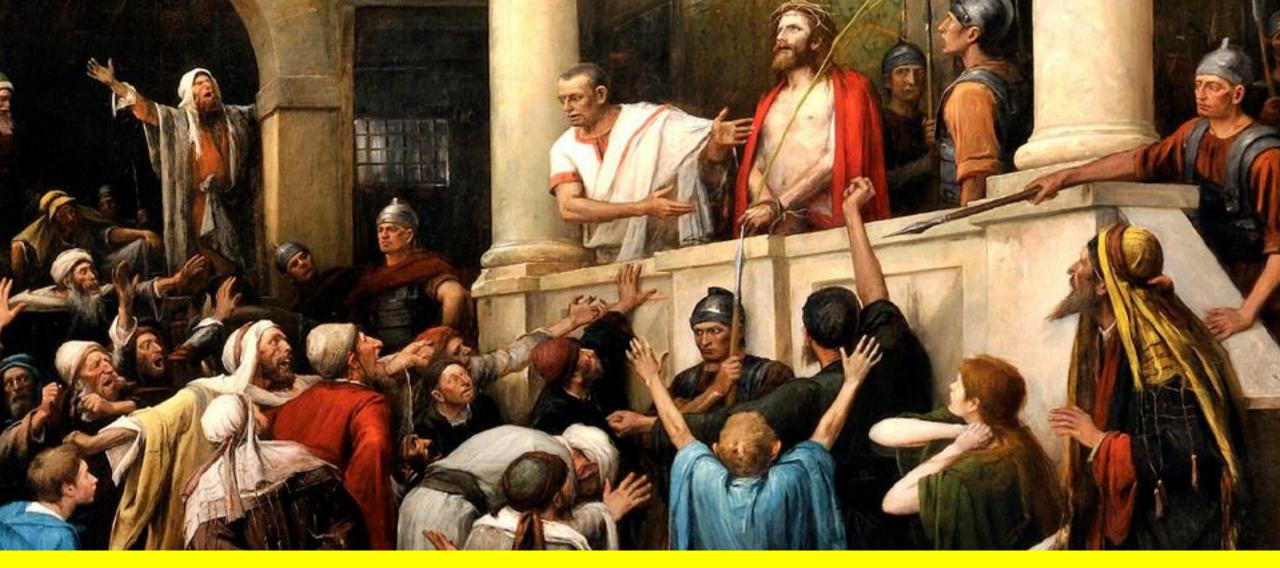
Therefore, disaster will overtake him in an instant; he will suddenly be destroyed—without remedy.

Proverbs 6 v12-19

There are six things the Lord hates, seven that are detestable to him:

haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked schemes, feet that are quick to rush into evil, a false witness who pours out lies and a person who stirs up conflict in the community.



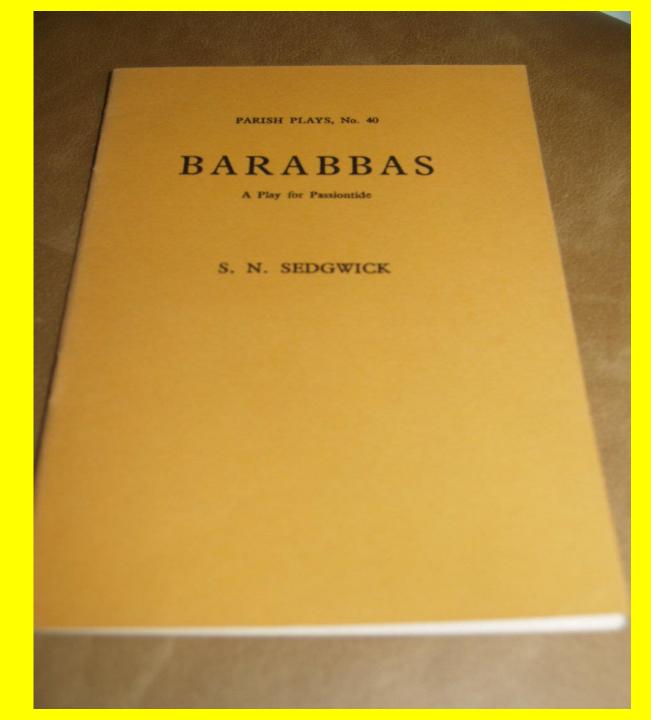


"Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate. But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!" (v14)

Matthew 27 v19

While Pilate was sitting on the judge's seat, his wife sent him this message: "Don't have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him."

What became of Barabbas after his release from that hot prison cell?



And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself. (John 12 v32)

Romans 3:23 - for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God;

6:23a -the wages of sin is death.

6:23b - but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.



Galatians 5 v1

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.