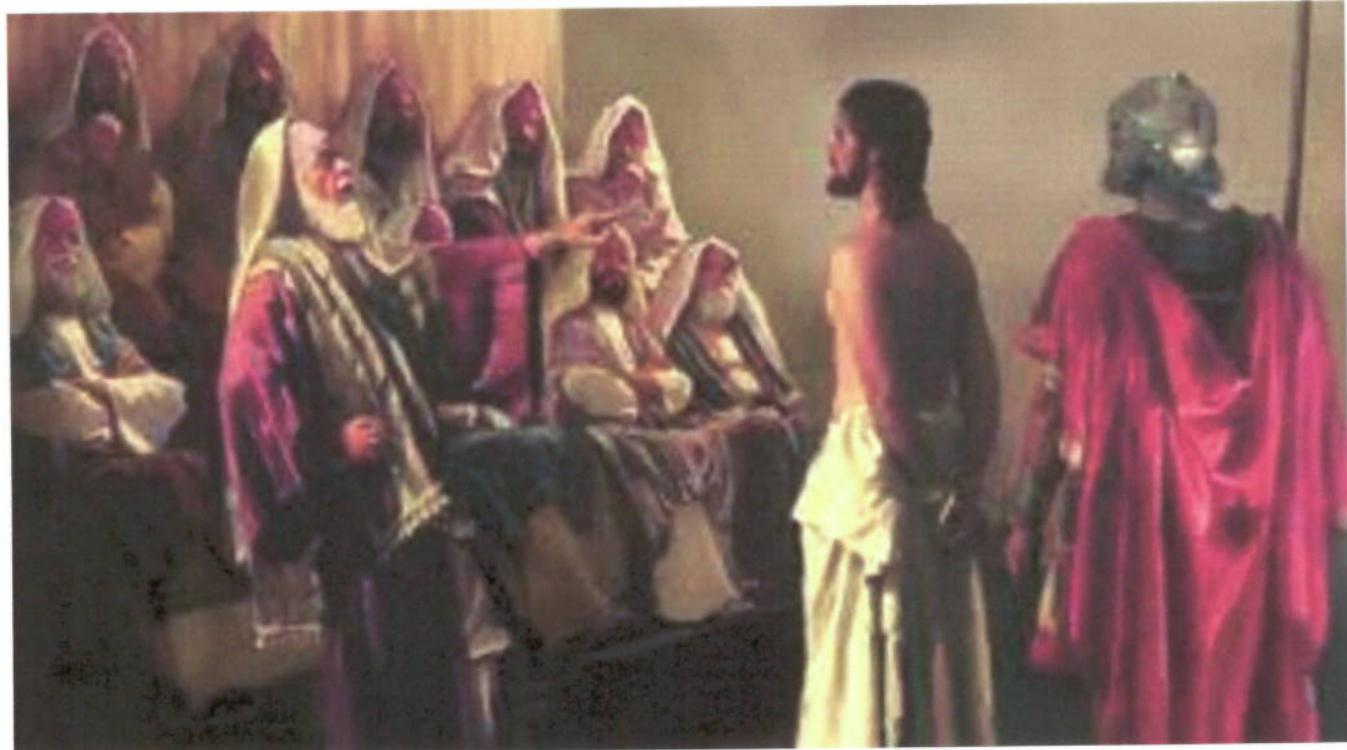


# **THE GOSPEL OF JOHN CHAPTER 18**



**Jesus is arrested and  
interrogated by Pilate**

# John 18

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**A**<sup>1</sup>fter Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the Kidron valley to a place where there was a garden,<sup>2</sup> which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples.

<sup>3</sup> So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers together with police from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons.<sup>4</sup> Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to Him, came forward and asked them, "Whom are you looking for?"<sup>5</sup> They answered Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus replied "I am He."

~~Psalm~~<sup>6</sup> 41. Judas who betrayed him was standing with them. When Jesus said to them, "I am He," they stepped back and fell to the ground..

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Again he asked them Whom are you looking for?

And they said Jesus of Nazareth.

8 Jesus answered "I told you that I am he. So if you are looking for me, let these men go. This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken,

"I did not lose a single one of those whom you gave me."

Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his right ear.

The slave's name was Malchus. Jesus said to Peter.

"Put your sword back into its sheath. Am I not to drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

12 So the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him.

First they took him to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year.

Caiaphas was one who had advised the Jews that it was better to have one person die for the people.

15. Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus.

Since that disciple was known to the high priest

16. but Peter was standing outside at the gate. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest,  
went out, spoke to the woman who guarded the  
gate, and brought <sup>17</sup> Peter in.

17. The woman said to Peter, "You are not also one of this man's disciples, are you?"

He said, "I am not". Now the slaves and the police had made a charcoal fire because it was cold, and they were standing around it and warming themselves. Peter was also standing with them and warming himself. <sup>18</sup> Then the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about <sup>19</sup> his teaching.

Jesus answered "I have spoken openly to the world: I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews come together! I have said nothing in secret <sup>20</sup> Why do you ask me? Ask those who heard what I said to them; they know what I said."

this, one of the police standing nearby struck Jesus on the face, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" 23. Jesus answered, "If I have spoken wrongly, testify to the wrong. But if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?"<sup>24</sup> Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high Priest.<sup>25</sup> Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They asked him, "You are not also one of his disciples, are you?"<sup>26</sup> He denied it and said, "I am not." One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked "Did I not see you in the garden with him?"<sup>27</sup> Again Peter denied it, and at that moment the cock crew.<sup>28</sup> Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate's headquarters. It was early in the morning. They themselves did not enter the headquarters, so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover.<sup>29</sup> So Pilate went out to them and said, What

accusation do you bring against this man?"

<sup>30</sup>

They answered, if this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you.<sup>31</sup> Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law." The Jews replied, "We are not permitted to put anyone to death."<sup>32</sup> (This was to fulfill what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.)<sup>33</sup>

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"<sup>34</sup> Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?"<sup>35</sup> Pilate replied "I am not a Jew am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?"<sup>36</sup>

Jesus answered "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here."<sup>37</sup> Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify

to my voice.

Pilate asked him, "What is truth?" After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, "I find no case against him.

But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" <sup>to</sup> They shouted in reply, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a bandit.

1. Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged.
2. And the soldiers wore a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe.
3. They kept coming up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews" and striking him on the face.<sup>4</sup> Pilate went out again and said to them, "Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him"<sup>5</sup> So Jesus came out wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe.  
Pilate said to them, "Here is the man!"<sup>6</sup> When the chief priests and the people saw him, they shouted, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him."<sup>7</sup> The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has claimed to be the Son of God."<sup>8</sup>

than ever.<sup>9</sup> He entered his ~~best~~ headquarters again and asked Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave him no answer.<sup>10</sup> Pilate therefore said to him, "Do you refuse to speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?"

You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin."<sup>12</sup>

12 From then on Pilate tried to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are no friend of the emperor. Everyone who claims to be a king sets himself against the emperor."

13 When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and sat on the judge's bench at a place called The Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew Gabbatha.

14 Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover, and it was about noon. He said to the Jews, "Here is your king!"<sup>15</sup> They cried out, "Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no King but the emperor."<sup>16</sup> Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

So they took Jesus;<sup>17</sup> and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha.<sup>18</sup> There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them.<sup>19</sup> Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews. Many of the Jews read this inscription, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek.<sup>20</sup> Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'This man said, I am the King."

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Pilate answered, "what I have written I have written"  
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When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now, the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top.

24 So they said to one another, "let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see who will get it." This was to fulfill what the scripture says, "They divided my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing, they cast lots." 25 And that is what the soldiers did.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. 26 When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside him her, he said to his mother "Woman, here is your son." 27 Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her inside into his own home.

28 After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the Handwritten Bible

the scripture), "I am thirsty."<sup>29</sup> A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth.<sup>30</sup> When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.<sup>31</sup>

Since it was the day of Preparation, the Jews did not want the bodies left on the cross during the Sabbath, especially because that Sabbath was a day of great solemnity. So they asked Pilate to have the legs of the crucified men broken and the bodies removed.<sup>32</sup> Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who had been crucified by him.<sup>33</sup> But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead they did not break his legs.<sup>34</sup> Instead, one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once blood and water came out.<sup>35</sup> (He

believe. His testimony is true, and he knows that he tells the truth.)<sup>36</sup> These things occurred so that the scripture might be fulfilled, "None of his bones shall be broken."<sup>37</sup> And again another passage of scripture says, "They will look on the one whom they have pierced."<sup>38</sup>

<sup>38</sup> After these things, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, though a secret one because of his fear of the Jews, asked Pilate to let him take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission; so he came and removed his body.<sup>39</sup> Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night, also came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds.

<sup>40</sup> They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews.<sup>41</sup> Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had

ever been laid.<sup>42</sup> And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

## The Empty Tomb

1 early on Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw the stone had been taken away from the entrance.

2 She went running to Simon Peter and the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

Then Peter and the other disciple went to the tomb. <sup>4</sup> The two of them were running, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and reached the tomb first.

5 He bent over and saw the linen wrappings, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Behind him came Simon Peter and he went straight into the

'and the cloth which had been round Jesus' head. It was not lying with the linen wrappings but was rolled up by itself.<sup>8</sup> Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in; he saw and believed.<sup>9</sup> They still did not understand the scripture which said that he must rise from death.)<sup>10</sup> Then the disciples went back home.

### Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene

"Mary stood crying outside the tomb. While she was crying, she bent over and looked in the tomb<sup>12</sup> and saw two angels there dressed in white<sup>13</sup> white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been, one at the head and one at the feet. "Women, why are you crying?" they asked her.

She answered, "They have taken my Lord away, and I do not know where they have put him!"<sup>14</sup> Then she turned round and saw Jesus standing there; but



She did not know that it was Jesus.

<sup>15</sup> "Woman why are you crying?" Jesus asked her. "Who is it that you are looking for?"

She thought he was the gardener, so she said to him, "If you took him away, sir, tell me where you have put him, and I will go and get him."

<sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Mary!" she turned towards him and said in Hebrew, "Rabboni!" (This means "Teacher.")

<sup>17</sup> "Do not hold on to me," Jesus told her, "because I have not yet gone back up to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them that I am returning to him who is my Father and their Father, my God and their God."

<sup>18</sup> So Mary Magdalene went and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord and related to them what he had told her.

### Jesus Appears to His Disciples

<sup>19</sup> It was late that Sunday evening, and the disciples were gathered together behind locked doors, because they were afraid of the

Jewish authorities. Then Jesus came and stood among them. "Peace be with you", he said.

<sup>20</sup> After saying this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy at ~~the~~<sup>21</sup> seeing of the Lord. <sup>22</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so I send you." <sup>23</sup> Then he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive people's sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

### Jesus and Thomas

<sup>24</sup> One of the twelve disciples, Thomas (called the Twin), was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

Thomas said to them, "Unless I see the scars of the nails in his hands and put my finger on those scars and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup> A week later the disciples were together again indoors, and Thomas was with them.



Stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."<sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and look at my hands; then stretch out your hand and put it in my side. Stop your doubting and believe!"

<sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"

<sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, "Do you believe because you see me? How happy are those who believe without seeing me!"

### The Purpose of This Book

<sup>30</sup> In his disciples' presence Jesus performed many other miracles which are not written down in this book.<sup>31</sup> But these have been written in order that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through your faith in him you may have life.

"After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way.

2 Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples.

3 Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

4 Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus.

5 Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No."

6 He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish.

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That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!"

When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea.

8. BUT the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

9. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread.

10. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have caught."

11. So Simon Peter went abroad and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn.

12. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast! Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord.

13 Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

14 This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

15 When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs."

16 A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep."

17. He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

# JOHN CHPT 21

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18. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.

19. He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God. After this he said to him, "Follow me".

20. Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them; he was the one who had reclined next to Jesus at the supper and had said, "Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?"

21. When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, "Lord, what about him?"

22. Jesus said to him, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!"

23 So the rumour spread in the community,  
And word got around that... that this disciple would not die

Yet Jesus did not say to him that he would not die, but "If it is  
my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?"  
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This is the disciple who is testifying to these  
things and has written them, and we know  
that his testimony is true.<sup>25</sup> But there are  
also many other things that Jesus did; if  
every one of them were written down, I  
suppose that the world itself could not  
contain the books that would be written.

