

When Enemies Treat You Better Than Friends Luke 23:1-25

I. Pilate declares Jesus innocent at the first hearing (Luke 23:1-7).

II. Herod found Jesus innocent at the second hearing (Luke 23:8-12).

III. Pilate tries to free Jesus but finally condemns him (Luke 23:13-25).

¹² As a result of this Pilate made efforts to release Him, but the Jews cried out saying, "If you release this Man, you are no friend of Caesar; everyone who makes himself out *to be* a king opposes Caesar." ¹³ Therefore when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out, and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Pavement, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha. ¹⁴ Now it was the day of preparation for the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. And he *said to the Jews, "Behold, your King!" ¹⁵ So they cried out, "Away with *Him*, away with *Him*, crucify Him!" Pilate *said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar." John 19:12-15 (NASB)

IV. Application.

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