Denials Of Christ John 18:13-28 We All Can Deny Christ A. Denial For Advantage (18:13-14) **1. Annas' influence** a. Before the crucifixion Luke 3:2 **b.** After the crucifixion **Acts 4:5** c. Delivered Christ bound 2. Caiaphas' influence of position John 11:47-53

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C. Denial Of Association (Peter)

- 1. Starts by following afar off (18:15) Matthew 26:58
- 2. Standing in the enemies camp (18:16-18) Psalm 1:1
- 3. Saying the first lie (18:25) Romans 13:14

Ephesians 4:25

4. Sustained by repeated lies (18:25-26) Romans 7:5 Romans 6:16 Denials Of Christ John 18:13-28 We All Can Deny Christ D. Deliverance From Denial Awaits 2 Timothy 2:12-13 Ephesians 2:13-14

Christ Before Pilate John 18:28-40

Judgment Being Passed On Jesus

- A. The religious stop short of reaching Jesus (18:28) John 18:28
- Then led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto the hall of judgment: and it was early; and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they might eat the passover.
- 1 Corinthians 5:7
- Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:

2. The religious stop short in realizing who Jesus is (18:29-30)

John 18:29-30

29 Pilate then went out unto them, and said, What accusation bring ye against this man?

30 They answered and said unto him, If he were not a malefactor, we would not have delivered him up unto thee.

- 2. The religious stop short in realizing who Jesus is (18:29-30) continued
- Luke 23:1-3
- 1 And the whole multitude of them arose, and led him unto Pilate.

2 And they began to accuse him, saying, We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Caesar, saying that he himself is Christ a King.3 And Pilate asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answered him and said, Thou sayest it.

- **3.** The religious stop short in taking responsibility for Jesus (18:31)
- John 18:31
- Then said Pilate unto them, Take ye him, and judge him according to your law. The Jews therefore said unto him, It is not lawful for us to put any man to death:
- John 11:8
- His disciples say unto him, Master, the Jews of late sought to stone thee; and goest thou thither again?

- 4. The religious stop short in receiving Jesus (18:32) John 18:32
- That the saying of Jesus might be fulfilled, which he spake, signifying what death he should die.
- John 12:32-34
- 32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.
- 33 This he said, signifying what death he should die.
- 34 The people answered him, We have heard out of the law that Christ abideth for ever: and how sayest thou, The Son of man must be lifted up? who is this Son of man?

- A. Who Are You? (18:33-34)
- John 18:33-34
- 33 Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called Jesus, and said unto him, Art thou the King of the Jews?
- 34 Jesus answered him, Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell it thee of me?

John 1:11

He came unto his own, and his own received him not.

B. Why Are You Here? (18:35) John 18:35

Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered thee unto me: what hast thou done?

John 6:38

For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.

C. Where Are You From? (18:36) John 18:36

Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

D. Why Should I Care? (18:37) John 18:37

Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.

- E. What Am I Missing? (18:38a) John 18:38a Pilate saith unto him, What is truth?
- John 1:14
- And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.
- Hebrews 11:6
- But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

III. Pilate's Dilemma With Jesus (18:38b-40)

A. His proclamation (18:38b) John 18:38b

And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault at all.

1 Peter 2:22-23

22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: 23 Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously:

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- **B.** His proposal (18:39)
- John 18:39
- But ye have a custom, that I should release unto you one at the passover: will ye therefore that I release unto you the King of the Jews?
- Romans 5:6
- For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

III. Pilate's Dilemma With Jesus (18:38b-40)

- C. His problem persists (18:40) John 18:40
- Then cried they all again, saying, Not this man, but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a robber.

John 3:19

And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

What Is Your Judgement On Christ?