

Luke 23

King James Version (KJV)

23 And the whole multitude of them arose, and led him unto Pilate.
(These church thugs had no authority. They needed the Roman governor to condemn Jesus. Pilate was the Roman official for that province)

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. (All lies. Jesus did none of that)

³ And Pilate asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answered him and said, Thou sayest it. (Pilate said it; Jesus didn't)

⁴ Then said Pilate to the chief priests and to the people, I find no fault in this man. (The Romans didn't see Jesus as a threat. The Kenites wanted to falsely set him up so He would be killed)

⁵ And they were the more fierce, saying, He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place. (Jewry= Judea: Jewry is not a real word) (They are accusing Jesus of stirring up the people. All He did was to teach God's Word correctly and heal the sick. HE was only a threat to the Kenites' crooked church)

⁶ When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilaean. (Pilate wants out of this setup. He knew Jesus was no threat to the Roman Empire)

⁷ And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time. (Pilate wanted no part in convicting Jesus. His wife, after a dream, had warned him that Jesus was innocent)

⁸ And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long season, because he had heard many things of him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him. (Herod loved John the Baptist, and had heard of great works by Jesus)

⁹ Then he questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing. **Isaiah-53:7**

¹⁰ And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him. (All lies. That was some religious community. Spreading lies and wanting the murder of Jesus)

¹¹ And Herod with his men of war set him at nought, and mocked him, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate. (He ridiculed Jesus and sent Him back to Pilate)

¹² And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together: for before they were at enmity between themselves. (The both knew that Jesus was not guilty of anything. They probably ridiculed Jesus, hoping that that would satisfy the priests. It won't. They want Jesus dead)

¹³ And Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people,

¹⁴ Said unto them, Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that perverteth the people: and, behold, I, having examined him before you, have found no fault in this man touching those things whereof ye accuse him: (After investigating, Pilate knew Jesus was innocent of these trumped up charges)

¹⁵ No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him; and, lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto him. (Herod also found Him not guilty. Pilate was making a case for releasing Jesus)

¹⁶ I will therefore chastise him, and release him. (Pilate was trying to appease the crowd by punishing Jesus. But the Kenites want him dead, not punished. They won't stop until Jesus is murdered)

¹⁷ (For of necessity he must release one unto them at the feast.) (It was customary to release a prisoner to the people at Passover)

¹⁸ And they cried out all at once, saying, Away with this man, and release unto us Barabbas: (Barabbas- means son of the father)

¹⁹ (Who for a certain sedition made in the city, and for murder, was cast into prison.) (Barabbas, unlike Jesus, was guilty of those crimes)

²⁰ Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them. (Pilate knew that Jesus was innocent & that Barabbas was guilty)

²¹ But they cried, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. (The Kenites are determined to kill Jesus. They incited the crowd into frenzy; shouting repeatedly – like any out of control mob)

²² And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let him go. (Pilate was trying hopelessly to reason with a rabid mob, incited by the Kenites. They stopped thinking long ago)

²³ And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. And the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed. (A riotous mob)

²⁴ And Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required. (Pilate was fearful that a riot by this mob, would reflect on his governance, and he would be in trouble with Caesar. His job was to rule and keep the peace in his province)

²⁵ And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison, whom they had desired; but he delivered Jesus to their will. (He gave in to the riotous mob to shut them up)

²⁶ And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus. (Jesus had been beaten all night. He was too weak to carry the cross)

²⁷ And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented him. (Many people knew Jesus was innocent)

²⁸ But Jesus turning unto them said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children. (A prophecy of the end times) see Isaiah-54:1-6

²⁹ For, behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck. (Spiritual virgins that will not nurse the false church of antichrist, in the end times) Psalms-54

³⁰ Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us. (When the people realize that they have been deceived by Satan as the antichrist, they will be to ashamed to face God) See Revelation-6:16

³¹ For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry? (If they do this to Jesus <God in the flesh>. What will they do to the Holy Spirit <God in spirit form> in the end times?)

³² And there were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death.

³³ And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. Isaiah-53:9 (He died with malefactors; he was buried in a rich man's tomb – his great uncle Joseph of Aramathea) (The malefactor on His right hand repented and was saved)

³⁴ Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots. Psalms-22 (Propheesied 1000 years before the fact. This should be proof to all people that Christianity is reality. No man could have planned all this)

³⁵ And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided him, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God. Psalms-22:7-8 (These were enemies of Jesus; yet they were unknowingly fulfilling prophecy. God even uses the enemy to bring His plan to fruition. No one can stand against God)

³⁶ And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar, (vinegar = Poor man's wine. It was a mixture of cheap wine and gall. Soldiers drank it. Not all of them were mocking Jesus. Some were trying to ease His pain. They showed more compassion for Jesus than the corrupt religious community)

³⁷ And saying, If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself.

³⁸ And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. (INRI – Jesus of Nazareth King of the Jews)

³⁹ And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us.

⁴⁰ But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation?

⁴¹ And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss. (They were guilty. Jesus was innocent)

⁴² And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. (This one repented for his sins and asked for salvation)

⁴³ And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise. (Jesus forgave him and he was saved)

See Ecclesiastes-12:6-7 (The instant that we die, we return to God in our spirit body. Only the dead flesh goes into the grave and returns to the earth. That's why Jesus said – today I'll see you in paradise)

⁴⁴ And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. (This is noon to 3:00 PM. It was dark all over the world – another sign that Jesus is God)

⁴⁵ And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst. (The veil in the temple was rent just about when the high priest would enter to make the sacrifice for the people on Passover. He was guilty of the murder of Jesus Christ)

(Renting the veil is also symbolic; that we no longer need a priest to intercede for us with God. We can repent and go directly into the sanctuary to commune with God)

⁴⁶ And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.

⁴⁷ Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this was a righteous man. (Even the Roman soldiers knew this was a good man; wrongly put to death. He might have been converted because he glorified God. God made the world dark for 3 hours to prove that Jesus was God in the flesh. Man can't do the miracles that Jesus performed.)

⁴⁸ And all the people that came together to that sight, beholding the things which were done, smote their breasts, and returned. (Jesus died before many witnesses. This was done so that when He resurrected, the nay-sayers couldn't say that He never really died)

⁴⁹ And all his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things. (Many more witnesses)

⁵⁰ And, behold, there was a man named Joseph, a counsellor; and he was a good man, and a just: (This was Mary's uncle; Joseph of Aramathea)

⁵¹ (The same had not consented to the counsel and deed of them;) he was of Arimathea, a city of the Jews: who also himself waited for the kingdom of God. (He was a believer in Jesus, as God with us. He was against the Pharisees who wanted Jesus dead.)

⁵² This man went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. (He acted as kinsman redeemer for the family)

⁵³ And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulchre that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid. Isaiah-53:3-4 (Jesus was buried with the rich. Joseph was wealthy from his tin mines in Glastonbury, England. They still sing songs of Joseph the tin man in Glastonbury today)

⁵⁴ And that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.

⁵⁵ And the women also, which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the sepulchre, and how his body was laid.

⁵⁶ And they returned, and prepared spices and ointments; and rested the sabbath day according to the commandment. (The spices and ointments were to anoint the body of Jesus in the tomb. Their plan was to return to the tomb to do that)

(Passover that year would have been on a Wednesday. 3.5 days later, Jesus resurrected on the weekly Sabbath)