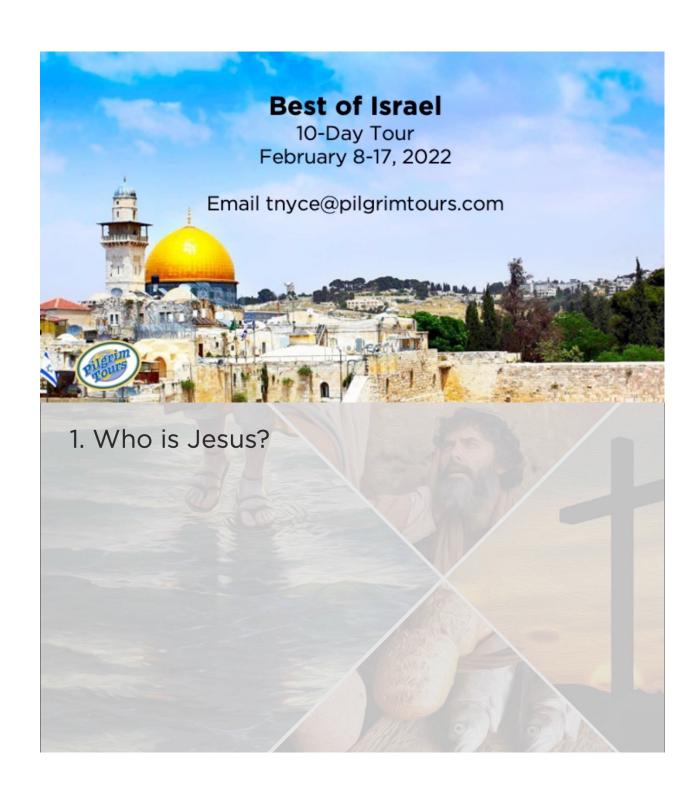


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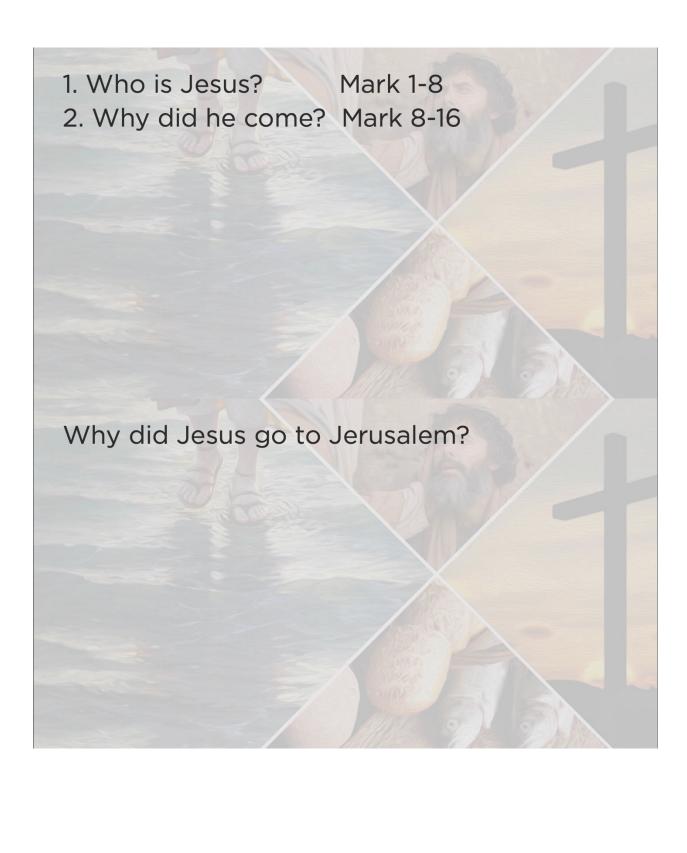
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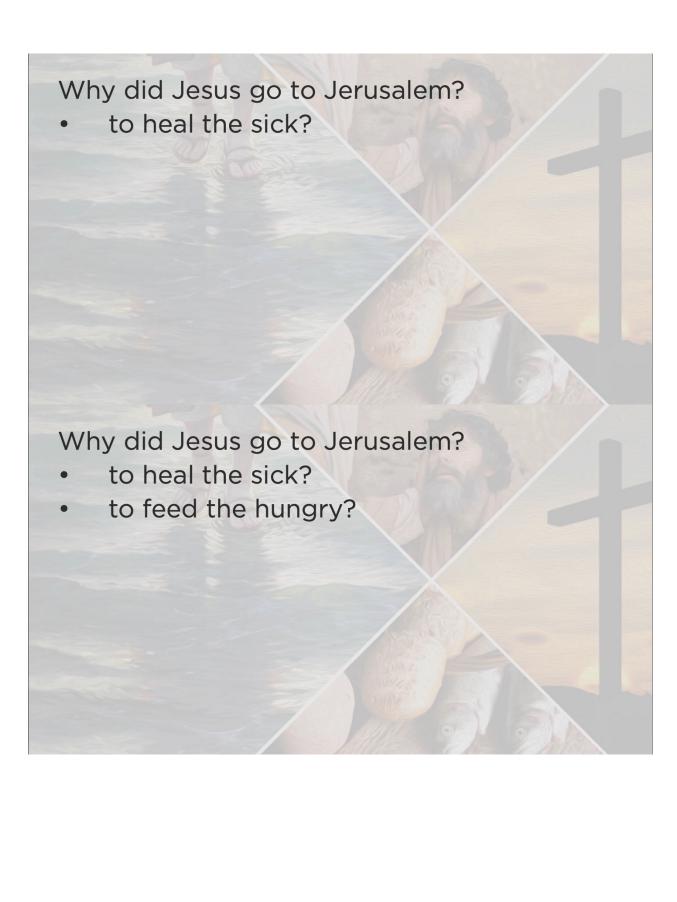
Adult Baptism Classes

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"I've been listening to your churches' sermons online for three years, and you never talk about sin, hell, or the wrath of God; you never talk about the cross or call people to repent of their sin and believe in the crucified and risen Jesus. Why is that?"

Mark

"Because no one wants to hear that stuff anymore – so why drive them away? At least we are talking about Jesus! "We try to come at people with a fresh angle, because no one wants to hear about a bloodied guy on a cross being punished by his father like some divine cosmic child abuse.

"No one wants to hear about the 'wrath of God' as if God is angry. We preach about following Jesus instead."

Jim

"There are many who preach about the Lord Jesus to no effect, and we can see why. They have no doctrine of sin; they never convict or convince people of sin.

"They always hold Christ before men and say that that is enough. But it is not enough: for the effect of sin upon us is such that we will never fly to Christ until we realize that we are poor and helpless."

Martin Lloyd-Jones

"The gospel is his kingdom, discipleship, joining God's program, and the redemption and renewal of creation."

Jim

"Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these.

"I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God."

Galatians 5:19-21

"Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God?

"Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God."

1 Corinthians 6:9-10

"... giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

"He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."

Colossians 1:12-14

"And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands.

"This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him."

Colossians 2:13-15

We must proclaim the cross, not satisfy the crowd!

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"And as soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. And they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate."

Mark 15:1

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"And Pilate again asked him, 'Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you.' But Jesus made no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed."

Mark 15:2-5

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"Now at the feast he used to release for them one prisoner for whom they asked. And among the rebels in prison, who had committed murder in the insurrection, there was a man called Barabbas.

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"And the crowd came up and began to ask Pilate to do as he usually did for them." Mark 15:6-8 4. <u>Pilate wants</u> the crowd to ask for the release of Jesus.

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"And he answered them, saying, 'Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?' For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up."

Mark 15:9-10

5. The council **wants** the crowd to ask **Pilate** for the release of Barabbas.

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"But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release for them Barabbas instead."

Mark 15:11

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"And Pilate said to them, 'Why? What evil has he done?' But they shouted all the more, 'Crucify him.'"

Mark 15:14

"So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified."

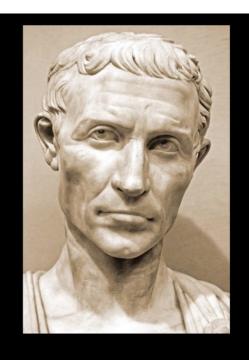
Mark 15:15

Why does Pilate want to satisfy the crowd?

"See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles.

"And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

Mark 10:33-34







"From then on Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, 'If you release this man, you are not Caesar's friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar."

John 19:12

"The governor is thus strangely **governed**. The free sovereign ... loses his freedom to forces he presumes to control, whereas Jesus, the silent prisoner who has no control, remains true to his divinely ordained purpose, and thus alone remains truly free."

James Edwards

"The fear of man lays a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is safe."

Proverbs 29:25

"Who among you fears the Lord and obeys the voice of his servant? Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust in the name of the Lord and rely on his God.

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who equip yourselves with burning torches!
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you shall lie down in torment."

Isaiah 50:10-11

"But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world."

Galatians 6:14