

John 18:28-40 Handout

Assignment 1: Read about the six trials of Jesus

Jesus' Six Trials

Religious Trials

Before Annas - John 18:12-14

Before Caiaphas - Matthew 26:57-68 See also, Mark 14:53-65; Luke 22:63-71; John 18:19-24

Before the Sanhedren - Matthew 27:1-2

Civil Trials

Before Pilate John 18:28-38 (See below) See also, Mark 15:1-5; Luke 23:1-5

Before Herod Luke 23:6-12

Before Pilate - John 18:39-19:16 - See also Matthew 27:15-31, Mark 15:6-20; Luke 23:13-25

Assignment 2 John 18:28 - 32 The Jews and Pilate

1. V30 What charges did the Jews have to bring up to Pilate?

2. V31 Why do you think Pilate was so hesitant to carry out the execution of Jesus for the Jews?
(Think about what we've read before, and what Pilate would've seen and heard of concerning Jesus)

3. V32. What did Pilate want the Jews to do with Jesus?

4. V32 Read John 19:36-37; Psalm 34:20; Acts 2:23; 4:27; John 3:14; Deuteronomy.
21:23; Galatians 3:13 Why was it necessary for the Lord to be handed over to the Romans for
execution? You should be able to find at least three reasons.

Assignment 3 verses 33-38a Jesus and Pilate

5. V36-37 Where did Jesus say His Kingdom was from, and why do you think that would be a
concern to Pilate?

6. V38 What was Pilate's question to Jesus and what did Pilate do after asking it? What does this
say about Pilate? See John 14:6.

7. V38 Read Exodus 12:5. Think about what the Jews were able to find Jesus guilty of. What makes Pilate's declaration of Jesus' innocence important?

Assignment 4 verses 38b-40 Pilate's verdict and the Jews' response concerning Jesus - See Matthew 27:15-31

8. V39 After Pilate's proclamation of Jesus' innocence, what should Pilate have done? What did he do instead? What does this say about Pilate?