

BUILDING YOUR SUPPORT TEAM

“PEACEMAKER - PILATE ”

John 19:1-24

Lesson #26

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REVIEW: Isaac lived to appease, but Abraham lived for peace.

A. Saying Nothing John 19:1-13

- 1) This would count as abusive treatment!
- 2) Jesus could say something, and it would be really good!
- 3) Jesus could do something, and it too would be good.
- 4) He could put the accusers in their place, knock them all down, call upon angelic assistance, or say something very profound that would bring great light onto the situation, but He says nothing.
- 5) How many times do people want you to **OPERATE BY** their **OWN RULES** ?
- 6) People want you to think they have power over you.
- 7) Is the power in this matter given by God to Pilate ? Has God given some power over you?
- 8) When you try to make a stand on a principle, many will pressure you to move you off it.

B. Say Something John 19:14-24

- 1) **DECLARATIONS** without **ENFORCEMENT** are meaningless, but they make me feel like **I'M DOING SOMETHING**
- 2) Pilate knows the right thing to do and wants to do the right thing, but he feels like peace will be

obtained only if he goes along with the crowd.

- 3) The rulers have made him feel threatened in his job security and will go to his boss with a story that will make him look bad.
- 4) Pilate 's wife has had a dream and gave him the warning. (Matt. 27:19)
- 5) Even back then people are **FACT CHECKING PUBLIC POST**
- 6) Jesus stuff is not theirs, but they seize upon it because of the climate.

C. Getting Even

- 1) Three days later Jesus rose from the dead. What would you have done?
- 2) Jesus goes to those who would help the kingdom, not to those who did Him harm.
- 3) How much of our thoughts can be caught up with what we will do when the power changes.
- 4) Or what God should do to them now.
- 5) Is Jesus walk in appeasement?

APPLICATION: Pilate is one who tries to be a peacemaker, but he does it through **HIS FLESH**

Sometimes this is very easy to spot being full of selfishness

Other times it is disguised as something more.

How can we tell when we are peacemaking in the flesh, or in the spirit?

If we are expecting spiritual results but only have flesh actions, how can we get spiritual results?