

April 2nd, 2017 | Sunday AM Message Title: "The Criminal & the Cross"

Matthew 27:15-26

15 Now at that feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would.

16 And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas.

17 Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?

18 For he knew that for envy they had delivered him.

19 When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him.

20 But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus.

21 The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas.

22 Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified...

1. Barabbas was _______ - Jesus was Gentle *Mark 15:7* And there was one named Barabbas, which lay bound with them that had made insurrection with him, who had committed murder in the insurrection.

Pilate's problem was that he knew who Jesus was not, but he didn't know who Jesus was.

- 2. Barabbas was ______ Jesus was Innocent John 18:38 Pilate saith unto him, What is truth? 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.
- 3. Barabbas was ______ Jesus was Crucified

Romans 5:8 But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.