

The Death of the King

Matthew 27:11-54

1. The travesty of justice, v. 11-26
 - Pontius Pilate: Politically vulnerable judge
 - Sanhedrin: Religiously jealous prosecution
 - Jesus: Silently innocent defendant

2. The mockery of truth, v. 27-44
 - Roman soldiers: Mocking his authority
 - Jewish people: Mocking his sacrifice
 - Jewish leaders: Mocking his faith

3. The agony of wrath, v. 45-50
 - Darkness: Symbol of judgment
 - Anguish: Cry of confidence
 - Death: Completing his work

4. The victory of Christ, v. 51-53
 - Temple curtain: Access to God
 - Earthquake: Judgment of sin
 - Resurrections: New life in Christ