

a moment to prepare to hear God's Word ...

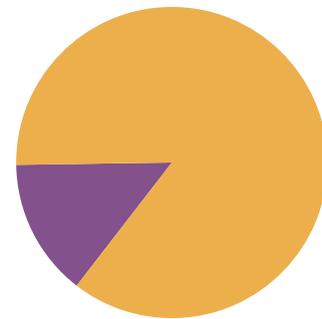
Overview of the Trials of Jesus

	Stages	Scripture	Judge	Decision
Religious Trial Jewish	1	Jo 18:12-14	Annas	Ok given to execute Jesus
	2	Mk 14:53-56 Mt 26:57-68	Caiaphas	Death sentence by charge of blasphemy
	3	Mk 15:1 Mt 27:1-2	Sanhedrin	Death Sentence verdict given
Civil Trial Roman	4	Mark 15:2-5 Jo 18:28-38	Pilate	Not Guilty
	5	Luke 23:6-12	Herod	Not Guilty
	6	Mk 15:6-15 Jo 18:39-19:6	Pilate	Not Guilty, but sentenced to the Cross

Violations of Written Sanhedrin Trial Requirements & Laws

1	No trial was to be effected by a bribe
2	No cruel proceedings after sunset
3	Judicial officials not allowed to participate in the arrest
4	No trials before the morning sacrifice
5	No secret trials, only public trials
6	Trials can only be conducted in the temple compound
7	Trials must start with defense before accusations
8	All may argue for acquittal, all may not argue for conviction
9	Lack of two or three agreeing witnesses meant acquittal
10	No Self Incrimination Allowed
11	High Priest forbidden to tear his clothing
12	Charges could not originate with the judges
13	Blasphemy Required the Word "Yahweh"
14	Words of Defendant Could Not Be Used
15	Verdicts could only be announced in the daytime
16	Trial & Sentence in capital offenses must be separated by 24 hours
17	Voting for death penalty by individual, youngest first, for impartiality
18	Unanimous Verdict Equals Acquittal
19	Capital Offense Sentence Pronouncement Requires 3 More Days
20	Judges were to be humane and kind
21	Person sentenced to death was not to be beaten or scourged beforehand
22	No trials on Sabbath or Feast Days

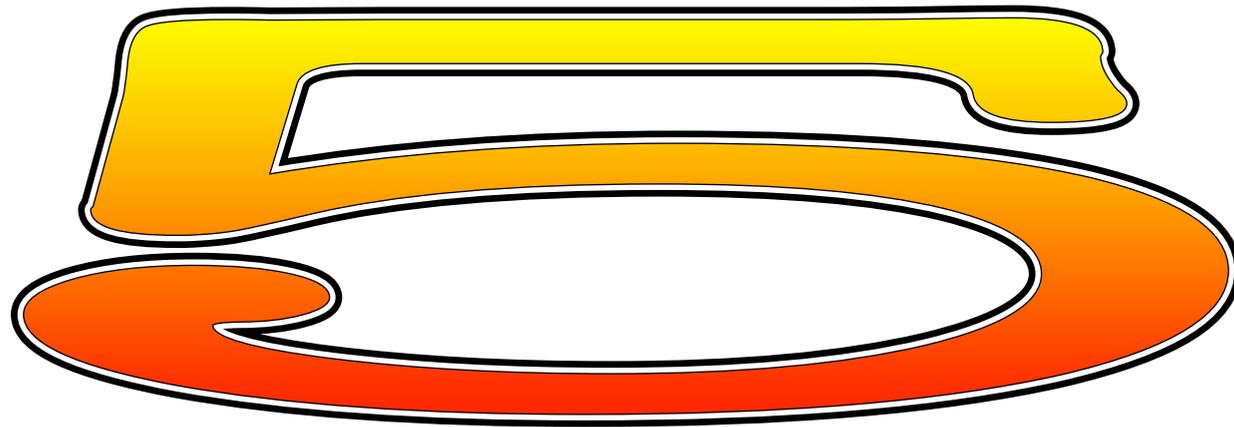




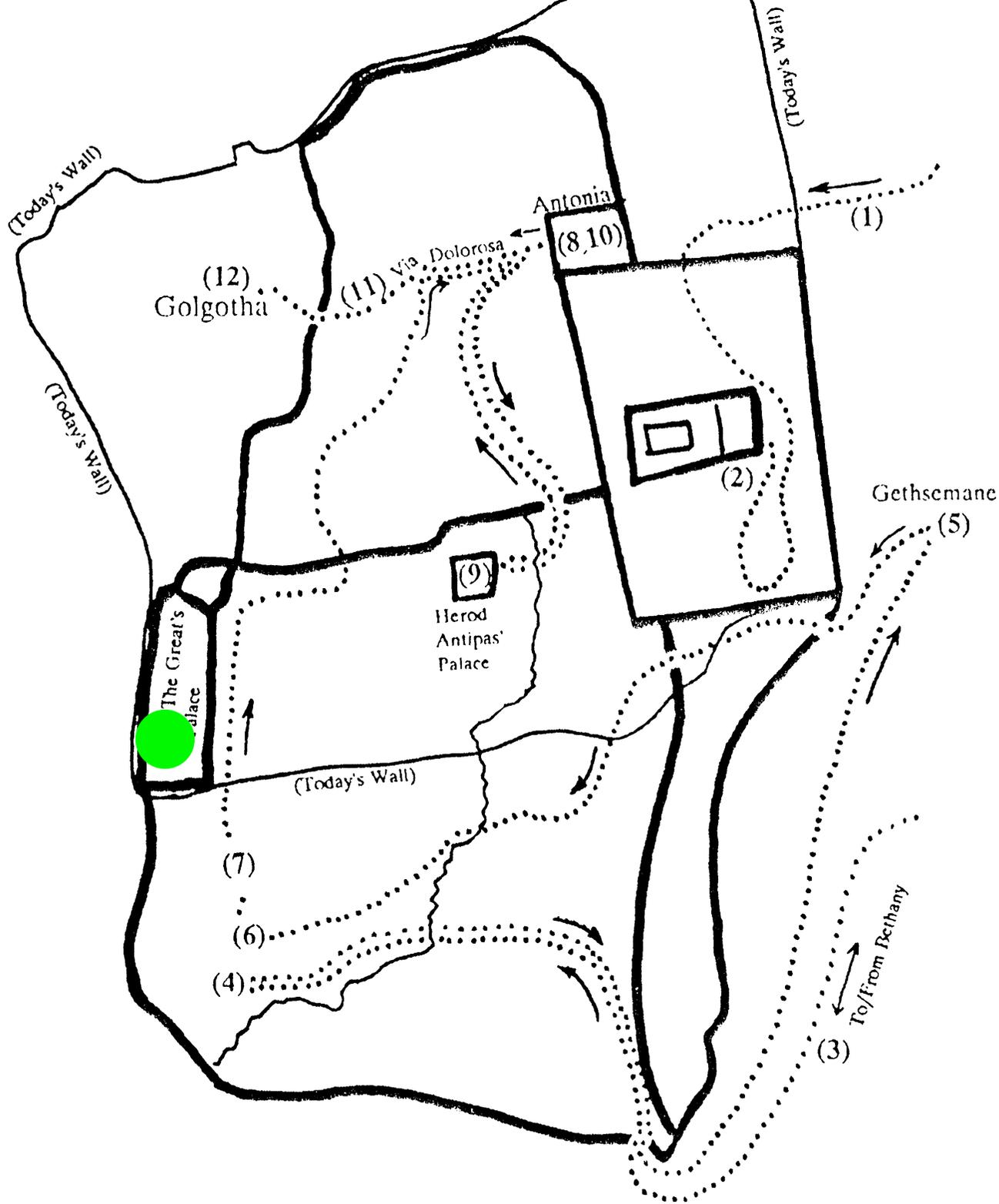
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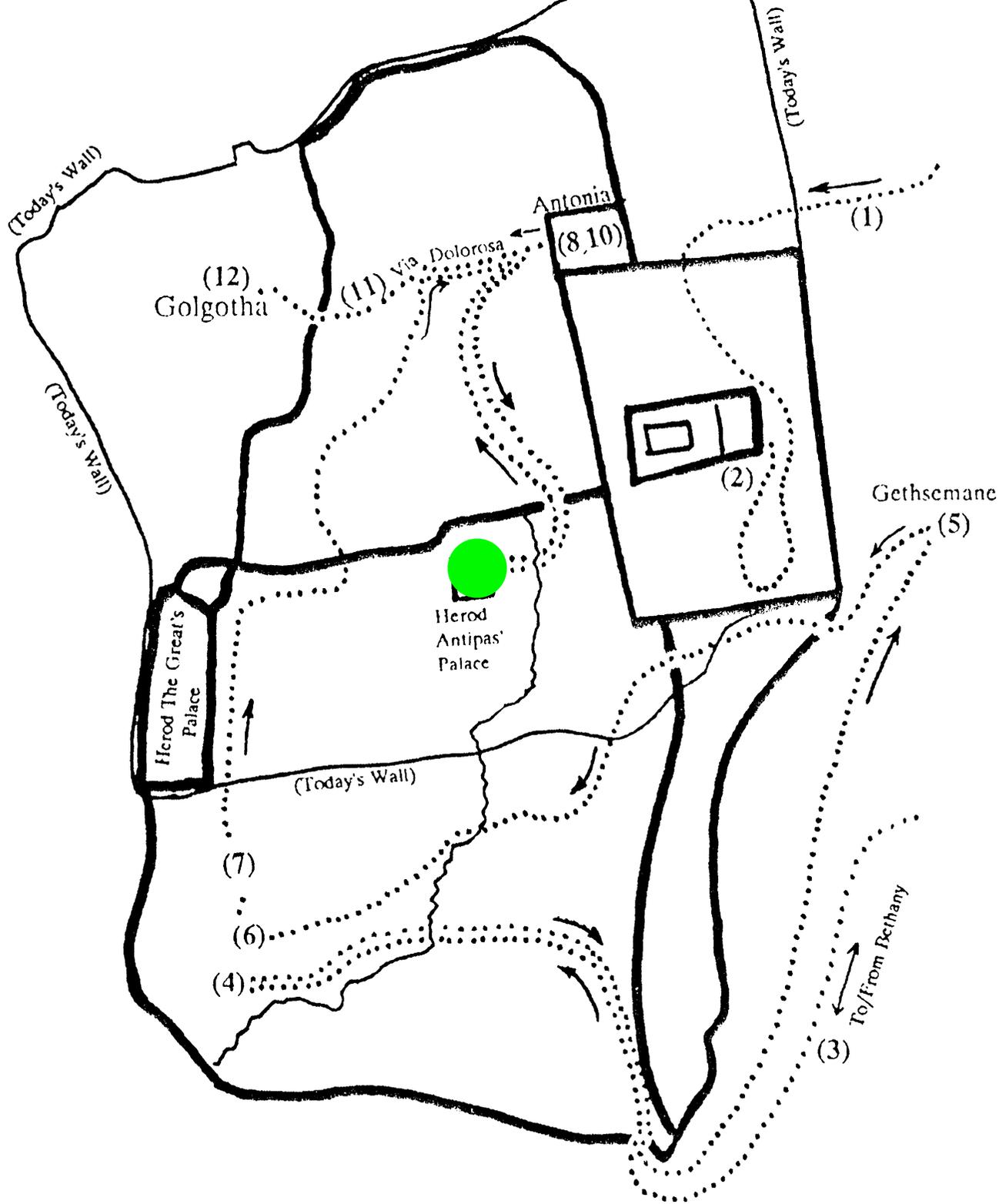
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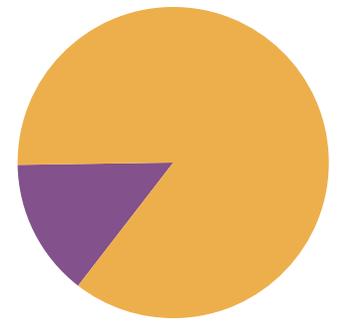
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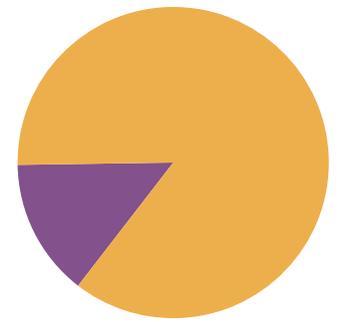
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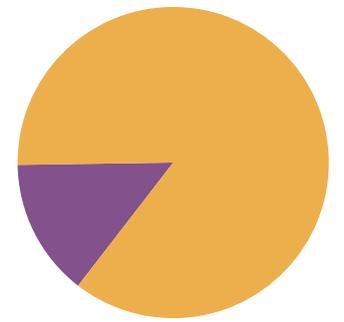
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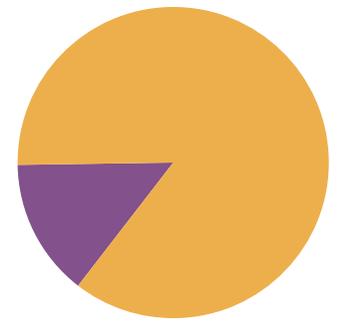
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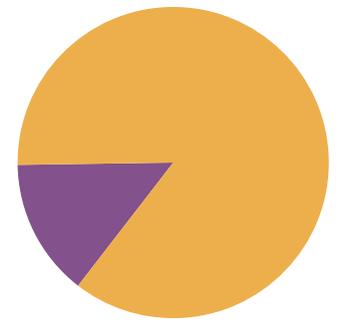
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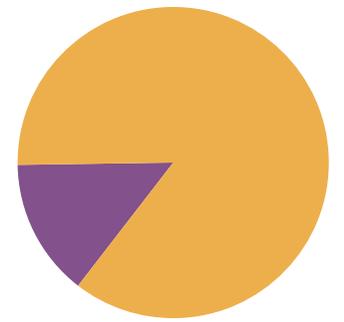
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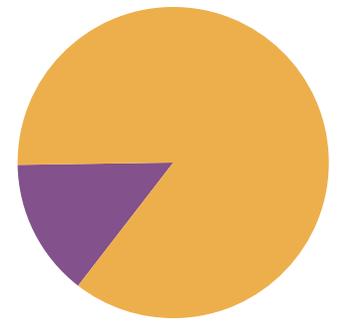
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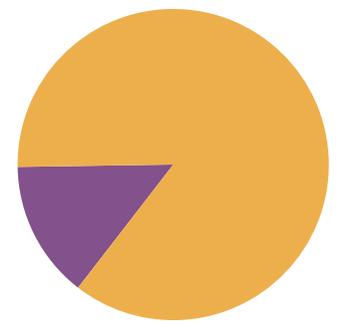
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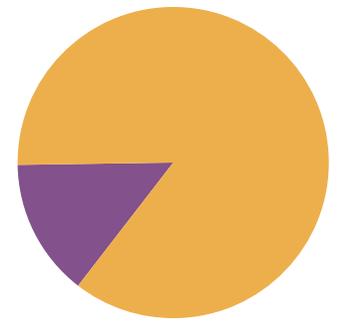
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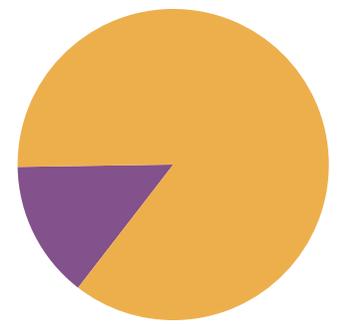
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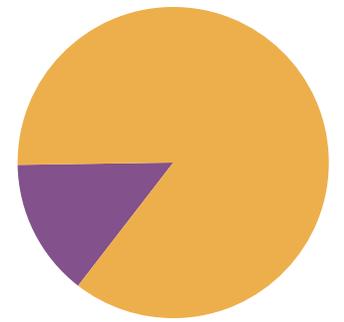
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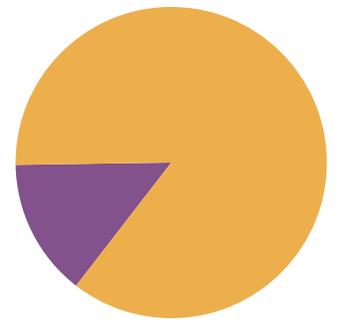
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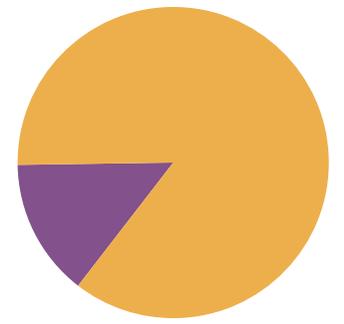
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Jesus' execution proved to be far more earth shattering than John's, but Antipas didn't live long enough to learn that reality.

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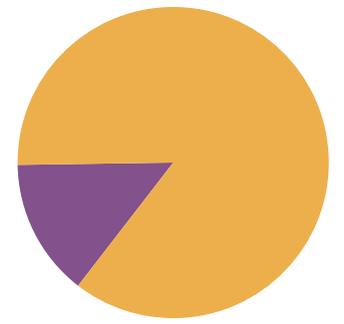




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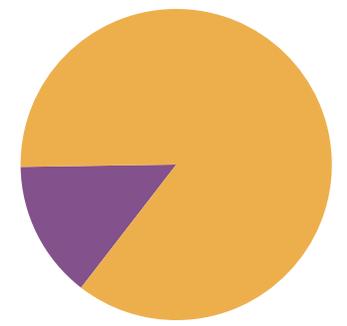


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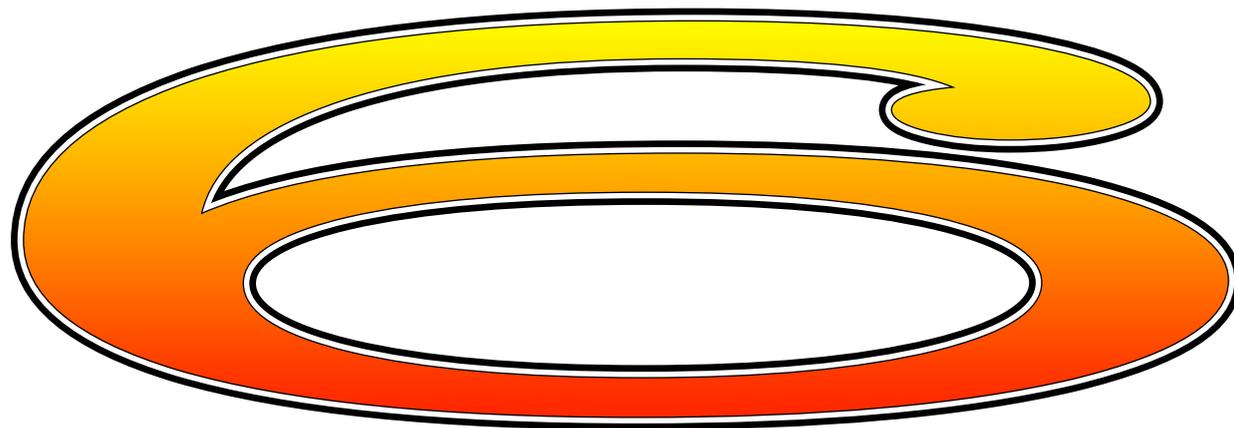
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*Mark 15: 6-15; Matt. 27: 15-26;
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Roman Law in Capital Punishment Cases

- 1. Correct to initially reject case without charges*
- 2. Correct authority to hear a capital offense case*
- 3. Correct to ascertain from defendant treasonable actions*
- 4. Correct to use other experts*
- 5. Trial must be public*
- 6. Prosecution must begin with charges*

a provincial governor had the legal freedom to conduct a trial as informally and with as little set procedure as he wished

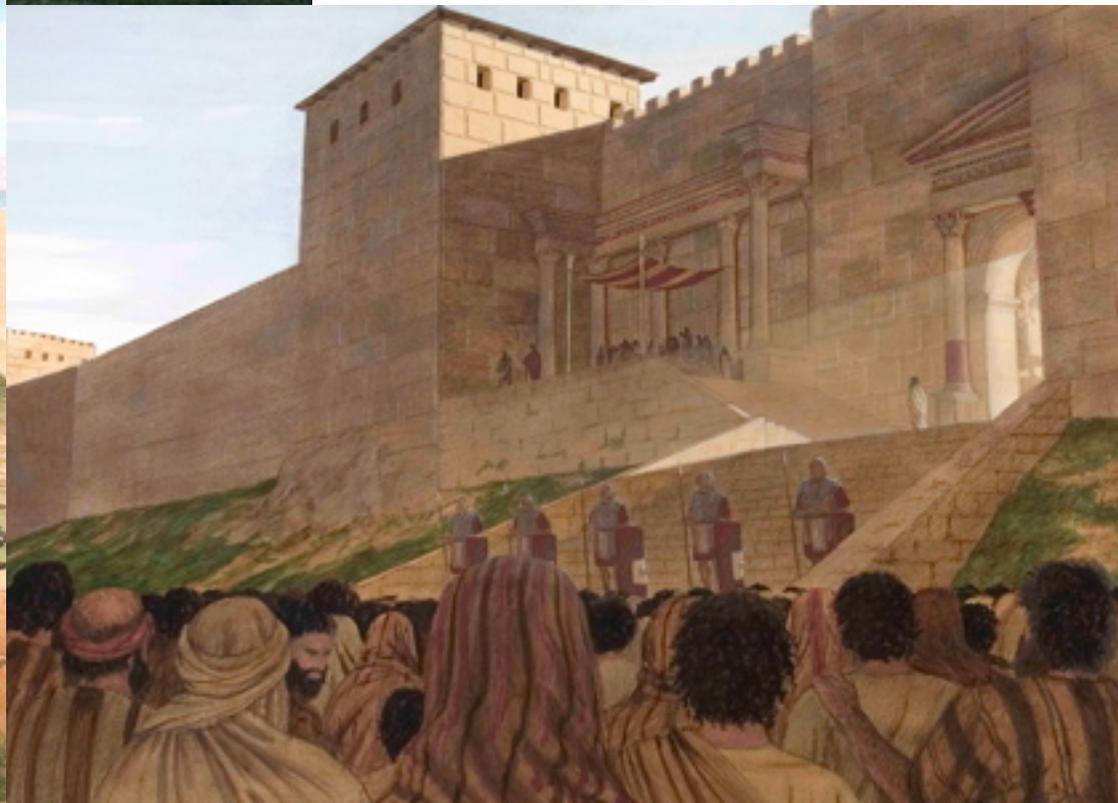
Non-Romans had no rights or responsibilities, only taxation and submission



The late biblical scholar William Barclay, a Presbyterian minister, writes that 30 years after Jesus' crucifixion a Roman governor took a census of lambs slain in Jerusalem during Passover and found about 250,000. These lambs, eaten at Passover, were called paschal lambs.

Barclay used the number of lambs and Jewish law to determine that at least 2.5 million people were in Jerusalem to commemorate the deliverance of Israel from slavery in Egypt.

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Luke 23:16 “Therefore I will punish Him and release Him.”

Passover Custom

Mark 15:6 Now at the feast he used to release for them any one prisoner whom they requested.

Luke 23:17 [Now he was obliged to release to them at the feast one prisoner.]

Matt 27:15 Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the people any one prisoner whom they wanted.

John 18:39 “But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover; do you wish then that I release for you the King of the Jews?”

Historical Context

Mark 15:7 The man named Barabbas had been imprisoned with the insurrectionists who had committed murder in the insurrection.

Matt 27:16 At that time they were holding a notorious prisoner, called Barabbas.

5 Response to Plea #1

Luke 23:18 But they cried out all together, saying, “Away with this man, and release for us Barabbas!”

Luke 23:19 (He was one who had been thrown into prison for an insurrection made in the city, and for murder.)

Mark 15:8 The crowd went up and began asking him to do as he had been accustomed to do for them.

John 18:40 So they cried out again, saying, “Not this Man, but Barabbas.”
Now Barabbas was a robber.

6 Pilate Plea Deal #2

Luke 23:20 Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again,

7 Response to Plea#2

Luke 23:21 but they kept on calling out, saying, “Crucify, crucify Him!”

8 Pilate Plea Deal #3

Luke 23:22 And he said to them the third time, “Why, what evil has this man done? I have found in Him no guilt demanding death; therefore I will punish Him and release Him.”

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These markings were used by the Roman soldiers as "games" and casting lots. This is located at Antonia Fortress (built by Herod) and very likely where Jesus was beat by the soldiers, stood before Pilate, and received his sentence to be crucified.

Explanatory Note

Mark 15:10 For he was aware that the chief priests had handed Him over because of envy.

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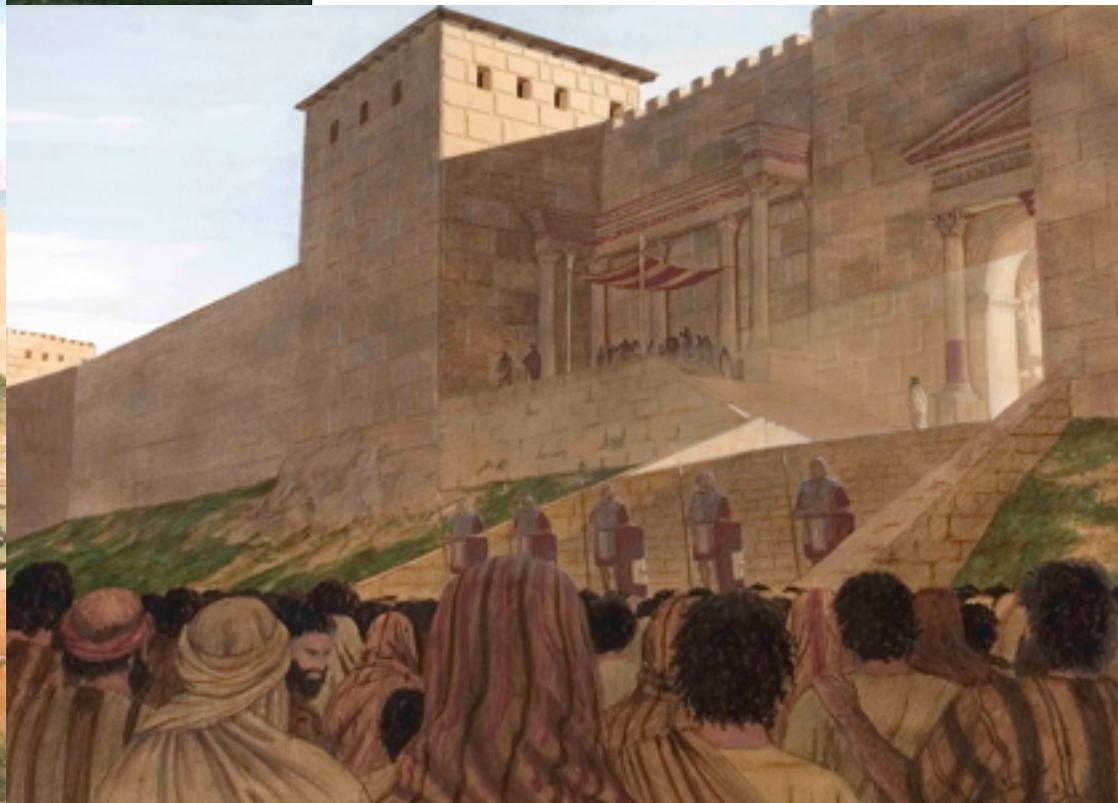
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Barclay used the number of lambs and Jewish law to determine that at least 2.5 million people were in Jerusalem to commemorate the deliverance of Israel from slavery in Egypt.

That number easily could have been in Jerusalem,



16 Threat of Treason Slander

John 19:12 As a result of this Pilate made efforts to release Him, but the Jews cried out saying, “If you release this Man, you are no friend of Caesar; everyone who makes himself out to be a king opposes Caesar.”

John 19:13 Therefore when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out, and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Pavement, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha.

John 19:14 Now it was the day of preparation for the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. And he *said to the Jews, “Behold, your King!”

John 19:15 So they cried out, “Away with Him, away with Him, crucify Him!” Pilate *said to them, “Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but Caesar.”

17 Riot Impending

Matt 27:24 When Pilate saw that he was accomplishing nothing, but rather that a riot was starting,

18 Hand Washing

Matt 27:24 he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this Man's blood;.....

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*Fulfillment of rejection of Messiah *Mk 3*



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The Sentence

Scourging

Jewish	Roman
Cords, non-lethal	cords with glass or metal tips, often lethal

John 19:1-3

.....Pilate then took Jesus and scourged Him. And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on His head, and put a purple robe on Him; and they began to come up to Him and say, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and to give Him slaps in the face.

2 Cor 11:23-25

.....Five times I received from the Jews thirty-nine lashes. Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, a night and a day I have spent in the deep.

Lord, Come Soon!