

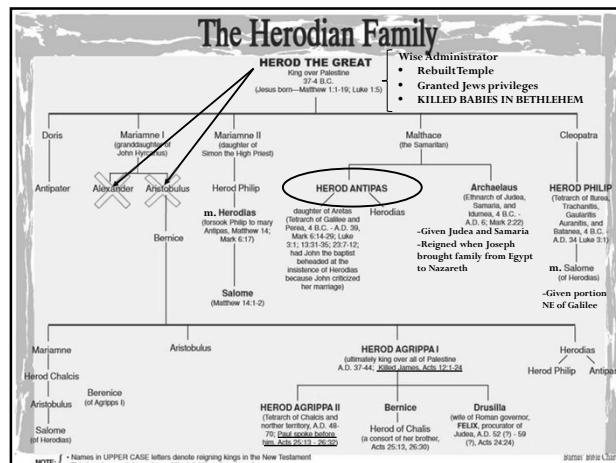
**The Last Week  
Of Jesus' Life**

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**Herod Antipas – Tetrarch (governor) of Galilee**

- One of the sons of Herod the Great. Matthew 2:1-16
  - Wise men came from the East to worship the Christ child.
  - Stopped at the palace of Herod the Great in Jerusalem.
  - Scribes determined that the child would be born in Bethlehem of Judea (Micah 5:2)
  - Warned to go home because Herod planned to harm the child.
  - Herod the Great so furious he ordered all babies of Bethlehem slain up to two years old. Matthew 2:16

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**Herod the Great**

- Obsessed with establishing his dynasty
- Story of his life is strewn with the ghosts of people whom he suspected of treason or disloyalty.
- He has been described as “a madman who murdered his own family and a great many rabbis,” “the evil genius of the Judean nation,” “prepared to commit any crime in order to gratify his unbounded ambition” (Wikipedia)

**Herod the Great**

- Cruel:
  - Killed his father-in-law, two brothers-in-law, at least two sons, favorite wife.
  - Killed the last in the Hasmonean dynasty.
  - Professed to observe the law of Moses yet his life was a mockery to what it taught.
  - Imprisoned chief men of the Jews and ordered that they be killed upon his death to ensure mourners at his death (not carried out).
- Ordered the death of 45 members of the Sanhedrin who had opposed him.

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**Herod Antipas – Tetrarch (governor) of Galilee**

- Had imprisoned and executed John the Baptist. Mark 6; Matthew 14
- In Jerusalem for the Passover Feast, to please the Jews.
- Only Luke records this. READ: Luke 23:6-16
  - Herod a curiosity seeker.
  - Mocked Jesus and arrayed Him in gorgeous apparel.
  - Herod sent Jesus back to Pilate; became friends that day.
  - NOTE: King Herod Agrippa I had charged Pilate with “corruptibility, violence, robberies, ill-treatment of the people, grievances, continuous executions without even the form of a trial, endless and intolerable cruelties” (Jack Finegan, *Light From The Ancient Past*, page 257).

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**Pilate's Judgment.**

Luke 23:4, 14-15; John 18:38

- Refused to pass judgment on a matter of Jewish law.
- Found the charge of treason false.

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**Pilate's judgment.**

- Barabbas –  
John 18:40, "a robber"  
Mark 15:7, insurrectionist, murderer  
Matthew 27:16, "a notable prisoner"
- Pilate's wife –  
Matthew 27:19, "And while he was sitting on the judgment-seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that righteous man; for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him."

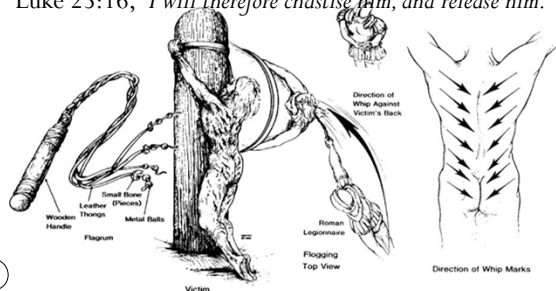
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**Pilate's judgment.**

Luke 23:16, "I will therefore chastise him, and release him."



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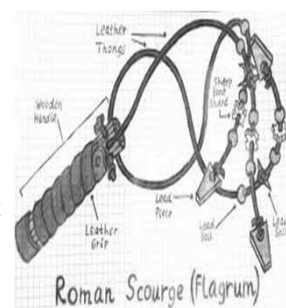
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**Pilate's judgment.**

- **The Scourging. John 19:1-6**
  - Jews used rods. (limited to 40 stripes, Deuteronomy 25:1-3; cf. 2 Corinthians 11:24-25)
  - Romans used a multiple thong whip, administered by two soldiers, number was not limited.

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**Pilate's final judgment.**

- Matthew 27:24, "So when Pilate saw that he prevailed nothing, but rather that a tumult was arising, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this righteous man;  
**see ye (to it).**"

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**Conclusion:****Pilate tried every method to release Jesus, but one!**

- Three times declared Him innocent. (Luke 23:4, 14, 22; John 18:38; 19:4, 6)
- Sent Jesus to Herod.
- Offered the release of a prisoner.
- Had Jesus scourged.
  - Washed his hands.
  - "Wishing to content the multitude" (Mark 15:15)
  - "see ye (to it)."

Isaiah 53:7, "He was oppressed, yet when he was afflicted he opened not his mouth; as a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and as a sheep that before its shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth."

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## The Crucifixion

**Matthew 27:35-38; Mark 15:24-28;  
Luke 23:33-34; John 19:18-24**

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### Review

#### The Last Week Of Jesus' Life

**Friday:** Jesus came to "Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives" (Mark 11:1), "six days *before* the Passover" (John 12:1).

**Saturday: Sabbath.** While in Bethany at the house of Simon the Leper (Mark 14:3; Matthew 26:6), Mary anointed Jesus' feet (John 12:3).

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**Sunday:** "The next day" (John 12:12-13),

- Jesus entered the city on "a young colt" (John 12:14), went into the temple and "looked around," but "it being now eventide (already late NASV)" he returned to Bethany (Mark 11:11).

**Monday:** On "the next day" he cursed the fig tree (Mark 11:12), cleansed the temple (Mark 11:15-18; Matthew 21:12-14) and "And every evening he went forth out of the city" (Mark 11:19).

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**Tuesday:** "In the morning" the fig tree was dried up (Mark 11:20; cf. Matthew 21:18-22). Jesus then "came into the temple" (Matthew 21:23), was questioned about His authority.

- He told three authority parables (21:23-22:14).
- Jesus then discussed four questions (Matthew 22:15-46) on the "same day" (Matthew 22:23), "while he taught in the temple" (Mark 12:35).

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### Review

#### Tuesday:

- He warned the multitude about the scribes and Pharisees (Matthew 23:1-36), before he "went out of the temple" (Mark 13:1a) and taught on the Mount of Olives (Matthew 24:1-26:2) declaring "after two days is the Passover" when the events leading to his death began (Matthew 26:2).
- "And every day he was teaching in the temple; and every night he went out, and lodged in the mount that is called Olivet." (Luke 21:37).

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- **Wednesday:** "And all the people came early in the morning to him in the temple, to hear him." (Luke 21:38).

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**Thursday:** Preparation was made to celebrate Passover on “the first day of the feast of unleavened bread” (Mark 14:12a; Matthew 26:17).

- That night Jesus ate the “Passover” (Luke 22:15).
- Thursday night into early Friday morning Jesus was arrested and tried before Caiaphas (Matthew 26:47-75).

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### The Last Week Of Jesus' Life

**Friday:** “When morning came,” Jesus was brought before Pilate (Matthew 27:1-2).

- Presented to Herod.
- He was crucified on “Preparation Day” (John 19:31; Luke 23:54) which is also called the “day before the Sabbath” (Mark 15:42).

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## Crucifixion:

- Sometimes the victim was tied to the cross and then left to die of starvation.
- Sometimes the condemned was laid against the wooden crossbeam and nails were driven through the hands into the wood.
- A foot was pressed backward against the other foot and a large nail was driven through the arch of the feet into the post.

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