

Matthew 27:11-56

DFH Worship Translation

¹¹ Now Jesus was placed in front of the governor, and the governor questioned him, saying, “Are you the King of the Jews?” And Jesus affirmed, “You say [so].”

¹² And when the charges by the chief priests and elders were brought to him, he answered nothing.

¹³ Then Pilate said to him, “Do you not hear how much they are testifying against you?”

¹⁴ And he did not answer him, not even one word, so as to amaze the governor exceedingly.

¹⁵ Now in accordance with the festival, the governor was accustomed to release one to the crowd, whomever they wished.

¹⁶ And at that time they had a prominent prisoner called Jesus Barabbas.

¹⁷ So when they gathered, Pilate said to them, “Whom do you wish [that] I should release to you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus, the one called Christ?”

¹⁸ For he knew [that] they handed him over on account of envy.

¹⁹ And while he was sitting upon the platform, his wife sent to him and said, “[There should be] nothing between you and that righteous man, for much I suffered today through a dream on account of him.”

²⁰ But the high priests and the elders persuaded the crowds that they should ask for Barabbas and [ask to] destroy Jesus.

²¹ And the governor answered and said to them, “Whom from the two do you wish that I might release to you,” and they said, “Barabbas.”

²² Pilate said to them, “So what should I do to Jesus, the one called Christ?” All said, “Let [him] be crucified!”

²³ And he affirmed, “For what evil did he do?” And they cried out even more, saying, “Let [him] be crucified!”

²⁴ And Pilate, when he saw that he was accomplishing nothing but rather an uproar was developing, he took water and washed off his hands before the crowd, saying, “I am innocent from the blood of this man. You will accept responsibility for it.”

²⁵ And all the people answered and said, “The blood of him upon us and upon our children.”

²⁶ Then he released Barabbas to them, and after scourging Jesus, he handed him over in order that he would be crucified.

²⁷ Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the praetorium, and the entire cohort gathered upon him.

²⁸ And they stripped him and put a red cloak around him,

²⁹ and they wove a wreath of thorns and put it upon his head and [put] a reed in the right [hand] of him, and they kneeled down before him and mocked him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews,”

³⁰ and they spit on him and took a reed and were striking him on the head.

³¹ And they mocked him and took off his cloak and dressed him in his [own] garments, and they led him away to be crucified.

³² And while they were going out, they came upon a man, a Cyrenian, by the name of Simon, and they requisitioned this one that he would carry his cross.

³³ And when they came to a place called Golgotha, which means Place of a Skull,

³⁴ they gave him wine to drink that was mixed with gall, and after tasting [it], he did not want to drink [it].

³⁵ And after they crucified him, they divided his garments, casting a lot,

³⁶ and they were sitting there and guarding him.

³⁷ And they placed over his head the charge of him, which was written, “This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.”

³⁸ At that time two bandits were crucified with him, one on [the] right and one on [the] left.

³⁹ And those who were passing by were blaspheming him, shaking their heads

⁴⁰ and saying, “You who are dismantling the temple and [re-]building [it] in three days, save yourself, if you are the Son of God, and come down from the cross.”

⁴¹ In the same way also the high priests and the scribes and the elders were ridiculing him, saying,

⁴² “He saved others, himself he is not able to save; he is king of Israel, let him come down from the cross and we will believe in him.

⁴³ He has depended on God, let him [God] rescue him now if he wishes; for he said, ‘I am [the] Son of God.’”

⁴⁴ And likewise the bandits, who were crucified with him, were heaping insults on him.

⁴⁵ And from [the] sixth hour until [the] ninth hour, there was darkness upon all the land.

⁴⁶ And near the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a great voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachtini,” which is, “My God, my God, why did you abandon me?”

⁴⁷ And some of those who had been standing there, when they heard [him], said, “This one is summoning Elijah.”

⁴⁸ And at once one of them rushed and took a sponge, filled [it] of sour wine and placed [it] on a stalk, and he gave him to drink.

⁴⁹ But the others were saying, “Leave [him], let us see if Elijah comes and saves him.”

⁵⁰ And Jesus again cried out with a great voice and gave up the spirit.

⁵¹ And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom, and the land trembled, and the rocks were split,

⁵² and the tombs were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised,

⁵³ and they went out from the tombs after his resurrection, and they went into the holy city and appeared to many.

⁵⁴ And the centurion and the ones with him guarding Jesus, when they saw the earthquake and the things that took place, they were greatly afraid, saying, “Truly this one was the son of God.”

⁵⁵ And there were many women there, observing from a distance, ones who followed Jesus from Galilee and deaconed him;

⁵⁶ among whom were Mary Magdalene and Mary the [mother] of James and Joseph and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

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