

# Jesus ON TRIAL



## Palm Sunday

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John 18 & Matthew 26

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### The Trial

- The Trials That Have Captured Our Attention ...
- The Trial of Jesus ...

#### **The final week in the earthly life of Jesus**

Sunday, he rides into Jerusalem — visits the temple, spends the night in prayer

Monday, he returns to Jerusalem again — cleanses the temple

Tuesday, he returns to Jerusalem for the third and final time — teaches the disciples

Wednesday, he spends the day and night all alone

Thursday, he spends the final hours with the disciples in the upper room — eats the Passover, goes to Gethsemane, is arrested and placed on trial.

Friday, the trial continues — He is beaten, crucified at 9:00 a.m., and dies at 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, he remains in the tomb.

Sunday, he rises from the dead!

## LESSON - Jesus on Trial (John 18 & Matthew 26)

### I. THE TRIAL ... As Recorded by John & Matthew

Jesus Before **ANNAS** ... John 18:1-24

*Who is this?*

Jesus Before **CAIAPHAS** ... Matthew 26:57-68

*This is the legal system of Israel*

### II. THE LESSON ... As Recorded by Matthew

*6 Hebrew Laws Ignored*

#1 — Trials were not to be held **SECRETLY** at night, but publicly in the day. v. 57

#2 — Two witnesses must come forward and agree **EXACTLY** on the charges. vs. 59-61

#3 — The accused was not required to **SPEAK**. ... vs. 62-63a

#4 — The Sanhedrin was never allowed to **INITIATE** the charges, and the accused was never **REQUIRED** to testify against himself. vs. 63b-64

#5 — A verdict was passed only after a day of **FASTING**. vs. 65-66

#6 — A **UNANIMOUS** vote by the court allowed the accused to go free. vs. 67-68

#### **Today's Growth Point — How does this passage apply to you today?**

1. Jesus is tried by Israel's **SUPREME** court so that you & I (who believe) will never have to be tried before the court of **HEAVEN**.
2. Jesus is condemned to die by man's **INJUSTICE** so that you & I will never be condemned to die by God's **JUSTICE**.
3. Jesus faced the anger, hostility, and wrath of **UNRIGHTEOUS** men, that took him to Calvary, so that all who believe in him will never experience the wrath of a **RIGHTEOUS** God.