

Gospel According to John 19:4 - 19:22

New American Standard Version

1 ⁴Pilate came out again and *said to them, “Behold, I am bringing Him
 2 out to you so that you may know that I find no guilt in Him.” ⁵Jesus
 3 then came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. *Pilate*
 4 *said to them, “Behold, the Man!” ⁶So when the chief priests and the
 5 officers saw Him, they cried out saying, “Crucify, crucify!” Pilate
 6 *said to them, “Take Him yourselves and crucify Him, for I find no
 7 guilt in Him.” ⁷The Jews answered him, “We have a law, and by that
 8 law He ought to die because He made Himself out *to be* the Son of
 9 God.” ⁸Therefore when Pilate heard this statement, he was *even* more
 10 afraid; ⁹and he entered into the Praetorium again and *said to Jesus,
 11 “Where are You from?” But Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰So Pilate
 12 *said to Him, “You do not speak to me? Do You not know that I have
 13 authority to release You, and I have authority to crucify You?” ¹¹Jesus
 14 answered, “You would have no authority over Me, unless it had been
 15 given you from above; for this reason he who delivered Me to you has
 16 *the* greater sin.” ¹²As a result of this Pilate made efforts to release
 17 Him, but the Jews cried out saying, “If you release this Man, you are
 18 no friend of Caesar; everyone who makes himself out *to be* a king
 19 opposes Caesar.” ¹³Therefore when Pilate heard these words, he
 20 brought Jesus out, and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called
 21 The Pavement, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha. ¹⁴Now it was the day of
 22 preparation for the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. And he *said
 23 to the Jews, “Behold, your King!” ¹⁵So they cried out, “Away with
 24 *Him*, away with *Him*, crucify Him!” Pilate *said to them, “Shall I
 25 crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but
 26 Caesar.” ¹⁶So he then handed Him over to them to be crucified.
 27 ¹⁷They took Jesus, therefore, and He went out, bearing His own
 28 cross, to the place called the Place of a Skull, which is called in
 29 Hebrew, Golgotha. ¹⁸There they crucified Him, and with Him
 30 two other men, one on either side, and Jesus in between.
 31 ¹⁹Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It was
 32 written, “JESUS THE NAZARENE, THE KING OF THE
 33 JEWS.” ²⁰Therefore many of the Jews read this inscription, for
 34 the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was
 35 written in Hebrew, Latin *and* in Greek. ²¹So the chief priests of
 36 the Jews were saying to Pilate, “Do not write, ‘The King of the
 37 Jews’; but that He said, ‘I am King of the Jews.’” ²²Pilate
 38 answered, “What I have written I have written.”

*Use the suggestions on the back page as a starting point for your own **Observation, Interpretation, and Application.***

Observation (What does it say?):

What do you notice in this passage?

- Repeated words or ideas?
- Comparisons or contrasts?
- Purpose or explanation?
- Unusual or symbolic language?
- Commands or instructions?
- Conditional (if–then) statements?
- Other observations?

Interpretation (What does it mean?):

After observing the passage:

- What parts seem clear and straightforward?
- What parts seem unclear or confusing?
- What parts challenge your previous thinking?
- What questions come to mind as you read?
- How would you title this passage?

Application (What does it mean for me?):

- What parts of this passage fit your current life situation?
- What parts seem unrelated to your circumstances?
- How might this passage affect your understanding of who God is and what He is doing?
- What part of this passage would be the most challenging for you to apply?
- What would be different (attitudes, behavior) if God used this passage to change you?

Additional questions for thought and discussion:

Inductive Bible Study

(A few general ideas)

Observation (What does it say?)

What facts do you **observe** about the passage that help bring out the writer's thought process?

- Who are the people involved?
- What action takes place?
- What type of literature is it (poetry, history, didactic, etc.)?
- What details are included or left out?
- Are any unusual words used?
- Is there symbolic language?
- What is the grammar of the passage (pronouns, prepositions, verb tenses)?
- Are words or ideas repeated?
- Any comparisons or contrasts?
- Any cause and effect?
- Are there indications of purpose ("in order that...")?
- Are there conclusions ("Therefore...")?
- Are there explanations?
- Does the passage logically break into sections?
- How would you summarize the passage?
- What would be a good "headline" for the passage?

Interpretation (What does it mean?)

What questions come to mind about the facts that would help you **interpret** the meaning?

- How would the original readers have understood the passage?
- What is the main emphasis?
- Why does the writer use repetition, or contrast, or unusual words?
- What does the grammar or structure of the passage reveal about the writer's thought pattern?
- Is there a logical sequence in the passage?
- How are different ideas in the passage connected?
- Are there any new ideas or concepts presented?
- Are there difficulties in the passage?

Application (What does it mean for me?)

What is the impact on your life? What **application** does the Holy Spirit want to show you?

- Is there a command to obey?
- Is there a promise to be thankful for?
- Is there an attribute of God to worship?
- Is there an example to follow?

**Read nothing into the Scriptures,
but draw everything from them,
and suffer nothing to remain
hidden that is really in them.
J.A. Bengel (1687-1752)**