

“40 Days of Convincing Proofs: Love by Forgiving”

Wylie United Methodist Church

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John 20:19-20

19 On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

- **JESUS WAS BETRAYED BY A FRIEND UNTO DEATH**

Matt 26:48-51

48 Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: "The one I kiss is the man; arrest him." 49 Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him. 50 Jesus replied, "Friend, do what you came for." Then the men stepped forward, seized Jesus and arrested him.

- **ALL THE DISCIPLES DESERTED JESUS (JOHN RETURNED TO THE CROSS)**

Matt 26:31

31 Then Jesus told them, "This very night you will all fall away on account of me, for it is written: "I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered."

- **PETER DENIED THAT HE EVEN KNEW JESUS**

Luke 22:59-62

59 About an hour later another asserted, "Certainly this fellow was with him, for he is a Galilean." 60 Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. 61 The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times." 62 And he went outside and wept bitterly.

- **JESUS WAS ABUSED AND MISTREATED BY MANY**

John 19:1-3

1 Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. 2 The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They clothed him

in a purple robe 3 and went up to him again and again, saying, "Hail, king of the Jews!" And they struck him in the face.

John 19:16

Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified.

- **JESUS (THE SON OF GOD) WAS INSULTED AND MOCKED**

Mark 14:64-65

64 ... They all condemned him as worthy of death. 65 Then some began to spit at him; they blindfolded him, struck him with their fists, and said, "Prophecy!" And the guards took him and beat him.

Matt 27:39-40

39 Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads 40 and saying, "You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!"

- **THE SOLDIERS CAST LOTS FOR HIS CLOTHS WHILE HE WAS HANGING ON THE CROSS FOR THEM**

John 19:23-24

23 When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom. 24 "Let's not tear it," they said to one another. "Let's decide by lot who will get it."

- **JESUS HEALED, LOVED AND FORGAVE AND IN RETURN HE WAS SENTENCED TO DEATH**

Luke 23:20-21

20 Wanting to release Jesus, Pilate appealed to them again. 21 But they kept shouting, "Crucify him! Crucify him!"

- **AND HERE IS HOW JESUS RESPONDED:**

Luke 23:34

Jesus said, o"Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

John 20:19

Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"