



Pontius Pilate



Matthew 27:11-26

11 And Jesus stood before the governor: and the governor asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And Jesus said unto him, **Thou sayest.** **12** And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing.

13 Then said Pilate unto him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee? **14** And he answered him to never a word; insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly. **15** Now at that feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would. **16** And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas. **17** Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ? **18** For he knew that for envy they had delivered him. **19** When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him. **20** But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus. **21** The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas. **22** Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified. **23** And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified. **24** When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it. **25** Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children. **26** Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.