**EASTER QUESTIONS 2023**

The following questions are designed for daily time in the Scripture. The intent is to help you read, contemplate, and learn more clearly what the Lord Jesus did in sacrificing Himself for us. Please pray each time before you begin reading the Bible.

**FIRST DAY:** Prayerfully read John 18-19:16 Reread John 18:1-12. JESUS’ ARREST

1.a) Who was there?

b) What happened?

c) When did this take place?

d) Where was it?

e) Why did it take place?

2.Thinking about what happens to the Lord Jesus and how He responds in these verses, what do you learn about…

a) About His character

b) His obedience to the Father

c) What He values

3. From your observations about Jesus during His arrest, list what prompts you to praise Him. Then, list what prompts you to thank Him.

**SECOND DAY:** JESUS’ TRIALS

Jewish trials:

1. Interrogation by Annas (John 18:12-14, 19-23)
2. Informal trial by the Sanhedrin before dawn (Matt.26:57-68; Mark 14:53-65; Luke 22:54, 63-65; John 18:24)
3. Formal trial after dawn (Matt.27:1, Mark 15:1, Luke 22:66-71)

Roman trials:

1. First before Pilate (Matt.27:2, 11-14; Mark 15:1-5; Luke 23:1-5; John 18:28-38)
2. Before Herod Antipas (Luke 23:8-12)
3. Final appearance before Pilate (Matt.27:15-26; Mark 15:6-16; Luke 23:13-25, John 18:39-19:16)

4.Read John 18:12-24.

a) Had hatred been in Jesus’ heart toward His captors or the man who struck Him, what could He

have done?

b) Why is this important to remember?

**THIRD DAY:** Read John 18:25-19:16. JESUS’ TRIALS CONTINUED

5. Compare John 18:10, 15-18, 25-27. What strong and weak points about Peter’s character do you see?

6. List the crimes that the Lord Jesus was accused of. (John 18:30, 33 and 19:7,9)

7. Why do you suppose John stresses that Pilate found Jesus innocent (John 18:38; 19:4,6)?

8. In what ways do you recognize yourself in Pilate’s traits or the Jews’ traits.

**FOURTH DAY:** Prayerfully read John 19:17-42. CRUCIFIXION

(John’s account of Jesus’ crucifixion is brief. Much is unique to John’s Gospel and not found in the Synoptics.)

9.What is significant about Pilate wording the charge against Jesus as he did and posting it in all 3 of the major languages of Palestine? (John 19:19-22)

10. What is significant about Jesus saying He was thirsty? (compare John 19:28 to Ps.22:15; 69:21)

11. How is it important to you personally that Jesus said, “It is finished”. (Compare John 19:30 with

John 1:29, Heb. 9:11-15, 24-28, Heb.10:11-14)

**FIFTH DAY:** Prayerfully read John 20 – 21:14 RESURRECTION

12. What evidence did John give in this passage that Jesus is resurrected?

13. Reread John 20:10-18, putting yourself in Mary’s place.

a) How would she feel alone at the empty tomb (v.10-15)?

b) How would she feel when Jesus said her name (20:16)

c)Why do you think Mary recognized Jesus when He said her name (20:16). See John 10:3-4.

14. What does Jesus’ resurrection mean to you personally?

a) Phil.3:8-11\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

b) 1 Cor. 15:12-14, 20-22\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

c) 1 Cor.15:50-58 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

d) Eph.2:4-7\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

e) 1 Thes. 4:13-14\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**SIXTH DAY:**

15.In the study of Genesis this year, what has deepened your understanding and appreciation of what God the Father did in sending His Only Begotten Son Jesus to die for you? (Consider Genesis 3:15)