

## STUDY GUIDE QUESTIONS FOR MATTHEW 27-28

### Matthew 27

\*In the morning, the Sanhedrin counseled together to accomplish what thing? (“to put him...”)

\*To accomplish their purpose the Sanhedrin delivered Jesus to what person? Who was the Roman governor at this time?

\*Note: When he was in Jerusalem, the Roman governor probably lived in the former palace of Herod the Great. Trace the route from the House of Caiaphas to Herod’s palace in a Bible Map of Jerusalem (Jerusalem at the Time of Jesus)

\*When Judas saw that Jesus was condemned, how did he react? What did the Jewish leaders say to him? What does the phrase “see thou to it” mean? (see footnote 4c)

\*What did Judas do with the thirty pieces of silver? What did Judas do to himself?

\*What did the Jewish leaders do with the thirty pieces of silver?

The Roman Trial (vv. 11-26): What did the Roman governor ask Jesus? How did Jesus respond? How does the JST modify Jesus’ response? (see footnote 11a)

\*What caused the Roman governor to marvel greatly?

\*What do “wont to release” and “whom they would” mean? (see footnote 15a and 15c) In light of this, what was the Roman governor’s custom during the feast of Passover?

\*Who was Barabbas? (v. 16) What choice did the Roman governor give to the Jews who were gathered together? (v. 17)

\*What was the reason the Jewish leaders had delivered Jesus to the Roman governor? Did the Roman governor know this?

\*What did the Roman governor’s wife warn the Roman governor about?

\*Given the above choice from the Roman governor, whom did the Jews who were gathered choose? Who persuaded them to make this choice? (v. 20)

\*Did the Roman governor think Jesus was innocent or guilty? What is the reason why the Roman governor gave in to the demands of the Jews who were gathered? (v. 24) What does the word “tumult” mean? (google it)

\*What did the Roman governor do as an outward sign of his decision? (v. 24) What did those Jews who were gathered declare about the blood of Jesus? (v. 25)

\*What did the Roman soldiers do with Barabbas? What did the Roman soldiers do with Jesus before they delivered him to be crucified? (v. 26)

\*Who was Simon of Cyrene? What did he do for Jesus? (v. 32) Where was Cyrene? Locate it on a Bible Map (Missionary Journeys of the Apostle Paul).

\*What is the name of the place where the Roman soldiers brought Jesus to be crucified? What does the name of this place mean? (v. 33)

\*How does the JST clarify the meaning of the name of this place? (see footnote 33a) In light of this JST change, did the name Golgotha refer to a place that actually looked like a skull, or simply a place where people were executed and buried?

\*Trace the route from Herod’s palace to Golgotha on a Bible Map of Jerusalem (Jerusalem at the Time of Jesus).

\*What did the Roman soldiers give Jesus? Did Jesus accept it? What was “gall”? (look up “Gall” in LDS Bible Dictionary) In light of this, what is a likely explanation why Jesus reacted the way he did to the drink?

\*What did they do with Jesus’ clothes? What does “parted his garments” mean? (see footnote 35b)

\*What was the official charge from the Roman trial, inscribed over the head of Jesus? (v. 37) Who were also crucified at the same time as Jesus?

\*What did those who passed by mockingly dare Jesus to do? What did the thieves say? What does “cast the same in his teeth” mean? (see footnote 44a)

\*What happened at the sixth hour of the day? How long did it last?

\*According to the KJV of the Gospel of Matthew, what are the only words Jesus cried out from the cross? ...at what hour of the day? What did some who stood by think Jesus was saying?

\*According to the JST of the Gospel of Matthew, what second thing did Jesus say from the cross? (see footnote 50a)

\*What happened at the temple as soon as Jesus died? What does “rent in twain” mean? (see footnote 51b)

\*Note: vv. 52-53 are out of place chronologically. As it says in v. 53, these events took place “after his resurrection.”

\*What did the Roman centurion declare about Jesus? (v. 54)

\*What was Joseph of Arimathaea’s relationship with Jesus? What did Joseph of Arimathaea “beg” from Pilate? What does the word “begged” mean? (see footnote 58a) Did Pilate honor this request?

\*What was placed at the “door” (i.e. entrance) to the “sepulchre” (i.e. tomb)?

\*Who owned the “sepulchre” (i.e. tomb) in which Jesus was laid? What was the age of this tomb? (vv. 59-60)

\*Following the crucifixion, what did the Jewish leaders request from Pilate? What had Jesus said that caused the Jewish leaders to want Pilate to do this? What were the Jewish leaders concerned that the disciples of Jesus would do? Did Pilate fulfill the Jewish leaders’ request?

## **Matthew 28**

\*What day of the week did Jesus rise from the dead? (v. 1) If this is the case, what day of the week was Jesus crucified?

\*In the Gospel of Matthew, what disciples came to the “sepulchre” (i.e. tomb) first?

\*Locate the traditional place of the sepulchre on a Bible Map of Jerusalem (Jerusalem at the time of Jesus)

\*What did the angel of the Lord do at the tomb? What clarification does the JST make concerning this? (see footnote 2a)

\*What happened to the “keepers” (i.e. the guards) at the tomb?

\*What did the angel say about Jesus to those who came to the tomb? (v. 6) What did the angel command those who came to the tomb to do? (v. 7)

\*The angel told them that Jesus would go before them and meet them in what location? (v. 7) When Jesus appeared to those who had been at the tomb, he told them to tell the disciples to go to what location to meet him? (v. 10)

\*When Jesus appeared to those who had been at the tomb, did they touch him? (v. 9)

\*What story did the Jewish leaders convince “the watch” (i.e. the guards) to tell in order to explain the disappearance of the body of Jesus? (vv. 11-15)

\*Where did the eleven disciples go to meet Jesus? In the Gospel of Matthew, where was Jesus’ final appearance to his disciples? When Jesus appeared how did the disciples react?

\*In the Gospel of Matthew, what was Jesus’ final teaching to his disciples? (vv. 19-20) What does the phrase “teach all nations” mean? (see footnote 19a)

\*In the Gospel of Matthew, whom did Jesus originally command the apostles to teach? (10:5-6) After Jesus was resurrected, how was that counsel modified? (compare 28:19-20)

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