

Bound and Delivered  
Mark 15:1-20

**I. Bound and Delivered**

**A. Note how they handle Jesus**

1. The Jews
  - a. They bound Jesus
  - b. They delivered him over to Pilate
2. Pilate
  - a. Questioned him
  - b. Defended him
  - c. Betrayed Him
  - d. Abandoned Him
  - e. Scourged Him
  - f. Delivered Him to death on the cross
3. Soldiers
  - a. Led Him away
  - b. Crowned Him with Thorns
  - c. Mocked Him
  - d. Struck Him
  - e. Spit on Him
  - f. Stripped Him
  - g. They led him out to crucify Him

**B. Who is this man?**

1. Mark
  - a. Jesus Christ, the Son of God
  - b. The Christ who
    - (1) expels demons
    - (2) silences the wind and calms the sea
    - (3) healed the lame, the blind, and the leper
    - (4) fed the multitudes and taught the word with an authority like no other
    - (5) who blessed little children and raised sons from the dead
    - (6) who rode the donkey and cleared the temple and confounded the authorities
2. John 1:1
  - a. He is the word of God
  - b. He is God
  - c. He is Creator
  - d. Life and light of God
  - e. The glory of the only Son as from the Father, full of grace and truth
  - f. The One who having come from the Father makes known the Father

**C. And, He is silent!**

1. How can God be silent in this moment?

- a. He is not
    - (1) afraid
    - (2) reticent or reluctant
    - (3) belligerent
  - b. He is
    - (1) confident
    - (2) certain
    - (3) composed
    - (4) calm
2. How can Jesus approach rejection, humiliation, pain, and death with such confident composure that convinces the Roman governor of His innocence?
- a. **Mark 14:49b** *But let the Scriptures be fulfilled.*
  - b. What Scriptures?
    - (1) All of them but let me point out three
      - (a) A promise
      - (b) A precedent
      - (c) A prophecy
  - c. The Promise
    - (1) **Genesis 3:15 (ESV)** *I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.*
    - (2) God's plan from before the foundation of the world was laid was that Christ would defeat Satan once and for all through His death
  - d. The Precedent
    - (1) **Genesis 22:8 (ESV)** *Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.*
    - (2) God will provide for Himself a lamb through the death of which He will keep His promises
  - e. The prophecy
    - (1) **Isaiah 53:7-9 (ESV)** *He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.*
    - (2) **Isaiah 53: 10-11 (ESV)** *Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall*

*prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.*

3. How can Jesus be silent in this hour and bear the injustice and the arrogance of sinful man?
  - a. Because through the word of God He had absolute faith in God
    - (1) Faith in the rightness of the Father's plan of salvation
    - (2) Faith in the goodness of the Father's heart for salvation
    - (3) Faith in the power of the Father's will for salvation
  - b. How does Jesus face the worst evil the world has to offer?
    - (1) How does He who could call ten thousand angels to destroy the world and set Him free instead stand quietly, confidently, calmly in the face of an angry mob, and a jealous people, and weak, spineless leaders?
    - (2) Through faith in God

## II. Because He remained silent

### A. Because Jesus stood in confident silence, we too may have confidence through faith in God

1. Confident of forgiveness of sin -
  - a. **1 John 1:9 (ESV)** *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*
  - b. God will not dishonor His Son, His sacrifice, His word, or His Spirit by failing to forgive those who confess and repent of sin.
    - (1) Christ's death on the cross satisfies every demand of divine justice removing the indictment upon us
    - (2) God honors the intent and fact of Christ's death for those who put their faith in Him
2. Confident of eternal life
  - a. **John 3:16 (ESV)** *"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.*
  - b. In sin we face death and eternal separation from God on account of guilt
  - c. In Christ we face life eternal and everlasting joy
3. Confident of present power
  - a. **Romans 8:26a (ESV)** *Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness.*
  - b. Jesus promised to send His Spirit and through the Spirit God works powerfully and consistently to restore His image of holiness in us and prepare us to dwell in the presence of His glory forever.

### B. Pilate's question: What evil has He done?

1. It was not for any evil Jesus did that but for the evil we have all done that Jesus was bound and delivered and crucified.

- a. Every careless, callous word
  - b. Every lustful, proud thought
  - c. Every angry, jealous urge
  - d. Every dirty, murderous look
  - e. Every selfish inclination
  - f. Every godless action
  - g. Every unholy moment lived in rebellious indifference to the sovereign, righteous, and holy claims of God upon our lives
  - h. Every self-exalting indulgence
  - i. Every God-rejecting direction
2. These are the sins for which Jesus Christ, the Son of God, shed His blood and died on the cross.
- a. These are the sins for which Jesus was bound and delivered to be crucified
  - b. These are the sins, your sins and my sins, for which Jesus stood silent and gave Himself in faith to God, being obedient to the will of God, even unto death.
  - c. He did not die for any sin of His own.
    - (1) He died on the cross for the shame and guilt of your sin, my sin, our sins.
    - (2) It was for the Father's glory in salvation and for our joy in salvation that Jesus, the Lamb of God, the Son of God, fulfilled the plan of God as the Christ of God, was bound and delivered and led away to be crucified.
3. The mob chose only what Jesus in His silence had already chosen for Himself: the glory of full surrender in faith to the Father's eternal plan for salvation.
- a. The mob chose to crucify Jesus
  - b. Jesus chose to endure death
  - c. **What will you choose today?**
    - (1) Betrayal?
    - (2) Faith?