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Mark Chapter 15 – Mark is an action Gospel.

Jesus – God's servant doing God's will. Jesus is a man of action.

Acknowledge listening to Dr. Vernon McGee thru the bible teachings.

Let's review: In chapter 14

Jesus is anointed for burial

Judas finally breaks away from the righteous.

Jesus is taken into custody

Trial and conviction before the Sanhedrin (council)

Jesus confesses himself as God

High Priest tears his clothes nullifying his High Priest Office.

Peter's denial and then repentance

He is loving to Judas right to the end when Judas commits suicide. He will work with us the same way. But what happens is that Judas heart become hard and it locked him in. It is the same with us. Occasionally I meet men that have left the program on 14st. Their heart is hard.

In this chapter we are going to see Jesus mocked, mistreated, condemned, crucified/killed, by Pilate. But it is not the end of the story is it? Jesus due to his sinless life, is the only person that could make this sacrifice.

You will need to read the account of all this in all the gospels to get all the details. (Easter is a great time for this).

Mark 15:1 (NASB) And early in the morning the chief priests with the elders and scribes, and the whole Council, immediately held a consultation; and binding Jesus, they led Him away, and delivered Him up to Pilate. **(Only Rome could execute Christ John 18:31).**

Verses underlines deal with Pilate

2 And Pilate questioned Him, **"Are You the King of the Jews?"** And answering He said to him, it is as you say. **(Christ would not deny himself 2nd Timothy 2:13)**

3 And the chief priests began to accuse Him harshly.

4 And Pilate was questioning Him again, saying, "Do You make no answer? See how many charges they bring against You!"

5 But Jesus made no further answer; so that **Pilate was amazed.**

6 Now at the feast he used to release for them any one prisoner whom they requested.

7 And the man named Barabbas had been imprisoned with the insurrectionists who had committed murder in the insurrection.

8 And the multitude went up and began asking him to do as he had been accustomed to do for them.

9 And Pilate answered them, saying, **"Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"**

King of the Jews – used 17 times in Bible. 1st by Magi.

Pilate formulated this term at the trial.

10 For **he was aware that the chief priests had delivered Him up because of envy.**

11 But the chief priests stirred up the multitude to ask him to release Barabbas for them instead.

Jesus is going to take the place of a condemned murderer. He does the same for us, we are guilty sinners, and Jesus took our punishment!

12 And answering again, Pilate was saying to them, **"Then what shall I do with Him whom you call the King of the Jews?"**

That's the question – What shall we do with Jesus?

13 And they shouted back, "Crucify Him!"

14 But Pilate was saying to them, **"Why, what evil has He done?"** But they shouted all the more, "Crucify Him!"

15 **And wishing to satisfy the multitude**, Pilate released Barabbas for them, **and after having Jesus scourged**, he delivered Him to be crucified.

Scourged – beaten with frayed cord with stone and glass imbedded.

Mob rule!

What charge did Pilate use for the Judgement?

16 And the soldiers took Him away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium), and they called together the whole Roman cohort, **(480 men out of garrison of 5,000 soldiers, 5,000 support).**

17 And they dressed Him up in purple, and after weaving a crown of thorns, they put it on Him;

18 and they began to acclaim Him, "Hail, King of the Jews!"

19 And they kept beating His head with a reed, and spitting at Him, and kneeling and bowing before Him.

20 And after they had mocked Him, they took the purple off Him, and put His garments on Him. And they *led Him out to crucify Him.

21 And they pressed into service a passer-by coming from the country, Simon of Cyrene (the father of Alexander and Rufus), to bear His cross.

Beaten to a pulp, that's why he could not carry his cross.

22 And they brought Him to the place Golgotha, which is translated, Place of a Skull.

23 And they tried to give Him wine mixed with myrrh; but He did not take it.

Myrrh = sedative. Jesus didn't take it, he didn't want the easy path.

24 And they crucified Him, and divided up His garments among themselves, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take.

25 And it was the third hour when they crucified Him.

26 And the inscription of the charge against Him read, "THE KING OF THE JEWS."

27 And they crucified two robbers with Him, one on His right and one on His left.

28 And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "And He was numbered with transgressors. **(Isaiah 53:12)**

29 And those passing by were hurling abuse at Him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ha! You who are going to destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days,

30 save Yourself, and come down from the cross!"

31 In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes, were mocking Him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; He cannot save Himself.

32 "Let this Christ, the King of Israel, now come down from the cross, so that we may see and believe!" And those who were crucified with Him were casting the same insult at Him.

Even if he would have come down from the cross, they would not have believed. Luke 16:30 "But he said, 'No, Father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent!'

Luke 16:31 "But he said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone rises from the dead.'"

Revelation 11:3 God's Two Witnesses, they did not believe.

33 And when the sixth hour had come, darkness fell over the whole land until the ninth hour.

34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "ELOI, ELOI, LAMA SABACHTHANI?" which is translated, "MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAST THOU FORSAKEN ME?"

Why: Because our (the World's) sin was on him, and God pulled back.

35 And when some of the bystanders heard it, they began saying, "Behold, He is calling for Elijah."

36 And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed, and gave Him a drink, saying, "Let us see whether Elijah will come to take Him down."

37 And Jesus uttered a loud cry, and breathed His last.

38 And the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.

Veil – Separates the Holy Place from Holy of Hollies. Holy of Hollies – (God's presence). High Priest went in once a year with animal blood. We now have access to the Hollies of Holy thru Jesus's Blood.

39 And when the centurion, who was standing right in front of Him, saw the way He breathed His last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

Right in Front of Jesus – My oh My

40 And there were also some women looking on from a distance, among whom were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the Less and Joses, and Salome.

41 And when He was in Galilee, they used to follow Him and minister to Him; and there were many other women who had come up with Him to Jerusalem.

42 And when evening had already come, because it was the preparation day, that is, the day before the Sabbath,

They would do burial preparation on him after the Sabbath.

43 Joseph of Arimathea came, a prominent member of the Council, who himself was waiting for the kingdom of God; and he gathered up courage and went in before Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus.

44 And Pilate wondered if He was dead by this time, and summoning the centurion, he questioned him as to whether He was already dead.

45 And ascertaining this from the centurion, he granted the body to Joseph.

46 And Joseph bought a linen cloth, took Him down, wrapped Him in the linen cloth, and laid Him in a tomb which had been hewn out in the rock; and he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb.

Why the linen cloth: they took his clothes.

47 And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses were looking on to see where He was laid.

Why because they wanted to prepare the body for burial.

Pastor Cho Preparation Prayer-Benefits of Jesus's shed blood:

1. Forgiveness of all our sins
2. Delivered us from the power of satan and the world
3. Healing of all our sicknesses and diseases
4. Redeemed from the Adamic curse
5. Given us the Blessings of Abraham
6. Delivered us from Death and hell

Summary Chapter 15: Mark an action Gospel

Jesus is tried by the Romans and sentenced to death.

Crucified!

He died and is buried.

Thank you Jesus for your death on the Cross that allows us to have forgiveness of sin and an eternal home with you.