

TAKEAWAY THE RADICAL KING Matthew 27:11-26 - Jesus on Trial

In line with our goal to be a church of disciples who make disciples, this session is focussed on action, so that we are 'doers of the word' and not just hearers/people who enjoy a good discussion! It encourages focussed practical outcomes in the lives of the individuals in the group so that our discipleship as followers of Jesus is deliberately pursued.

AIMS

To see that Jesus was subbed in for each of us - even though we are all co-responsible for His crucifixion.

SHARE

Imagine you have 3 minutes to tell someone who you say Jesus is. What do you tell them? What key things would you want to get across?

READ

Matthew 27:11-26

DISCUSS

What reactions do you have when you read this story?

A key Christian idea is that Jesus 'subs in' for us (like he does for Barrabas), taking on our sin. How do you feel about that? Why is it important to keep this at the forefront of how we understand God?

Even though many of us may know the 'right answers', we often still, like the crowd, 'choose Barabbas' ie we seek an alternative saviour hoping it will make life the way we'd like it to be. What are your go-to alternative saviours? Why does simply knowing the right answers not change us? What more needs to happen to motivate us to 'choose Jesus' regularly.

On Sunday, Matt suggested that *we* are responsible for the crucifixion *and* God is responsible. Why is it important that both these things are true? What does this tell us about ourselves, and more importantly, God?

How does this story affect how you see Jesus? Consider both thoughts and feelings.

TRY IT OUT

How can time spent considering this story affect how you 1) worship and 2) see Jesus this week?

PRAY