

▼ **Condemning The King - Part 4**

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▶ **Read the Passage: Matthew 26:57 – 27:10**

▶ **Understand the process by which Jesus was condemned to death.**

▶ **Contrast the outcomes experienced by Jesus, Peter, and Judas.**

▶ **Embrace God's wisdom and strength displayed in Jesus!**

▼ **Where are you in the Big Picture?**

▼ If you don't know the big picture, you'll have a hard time genuinely following Jesus!

▶ In the Big Picture (Backstory & Blueprint):

▼ The Backstory (If you can remember a sitcom theme, you can memorize the backstory).

• God created a good world with human beings as his representatives in it.

▼ Humans rebel - throwing God's world into jeopardy. They are exiled from Eden. The human race becomes so corrupt that God is grieved that he made them.

▶ Option 1 - Wipe everything out and start over with a new Adam and Eve.

▶ Option 2 - Wipe everything out and start over with a new seemingly non-corrupt descendant of Adam and Eve: Noah.

▶ Option 3 - Reclaim this broken world by building people who will oppose evil without spreading it.

▶ God chooses Option 3

▶ God calls Abraham as the beginning of his project to reclaim our broken world. Abraham's descendants Israel inherit his mission and enter a covenant relationship with God when he rescues them from Egyptian slavery.

• Israel ultimately breaks the covenant and is exiled from the promised land.

• God returns to Israel in Jesus, offering the covenant obedience that Israel failed to maintain.

• Jesus is crucified, taking Israel's sins and our own upon himself. He is raised to new life on the 3rd day.

▶ We who **follow Jesus** now join God's renewed project to reclaim our broken world. Remember Daniel 7!

▼ The Blueprint: Following Jesus - 7 "F"s to Maturity (we're going to teach you to follow this expertly).

▶ Focus on the Message

▶ Family Up

- ▶ Flow in the Spirit
- ▶ Face Your Problems (in the power of the Spirit)
- ▶ Farm Your Land (in the power of the Spirit)
- ▶ Find Your Purpose (in the power of the Spirit)
- ▶ Fulfill Your Mission (in the power of the Spirit)
- ▶ Mature Believers Can . . .
- ▼ **Walk Through This Experience With Jesus**
 - ▶ A personal experience:
 - ▶ We must follow Jesus in weakness.
 - ▶ Jesus endured a shameful experience for us so that he can take away our shame! - Hebrews 12:1-3
- ▼ Walk with Jesus through each step (recognize the shame that Jesus scorned on our behalf):
 - Walk with Jesus being marched from Gethsemane where he was arrested to the home of the high priest where he will be examined knowing that, if he chooses, he can call the Father for over 12 legions of angels to set him free.
 - Walk with Jesus in the arresting party that includes Judas, his own misguided, traitorous disciple.
 - Walk with Jesus as he listens silently to the false witnesses.
 - Walk with Jesus as he watches the leaders trying desperately to condemn him.
 - Walk with Jesus as he listens to two witnesses twist his words about destroying and rebuilding the temple. John 2:12-22
 - Walk with Jesus as the high priest confronts him with a solemn oath to say if he is the Messiah.
 - Walk with Jesus as he acknowledges that he is and predicts his ultimate vindication based on Daniel 7.
 - Walk with Jesus as they spit in his face and beat him.
 - Walk with Jesus as he hears Peter deny him.- Luke 22:60-62
 - Walk with Jesus as he is sent to the pagan governor for execution.