## Mark 14

The Seizure, Trial, and Condemnation of Christ.

The Sanhedrim Resolves on Christ's Death. The Anointing at Bethany. Judas Sells His Lord. The Day of Unleavened Bread. The Lord's Passover. The Lord's Supper Established. Peter's Denial Predicted. The Agony in the Garden. Christ Seized by the Soldiers and Temple Guards. Christ Before the Sanhedrim. The Confession and Condemnation.

- Mark 14:1 After two days was *the feast of* the passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put *him* to death.
- Mark 14:2 But they said, Not on the feast *day,* lest there be an uproar of the people.

John 11:47 Then gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees a council, and said, What do we? for this man doeth many miracles. 11:48 If we let him thus alone, all *men* will believe on him: and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation. 11:49 And one of them, *named* Caiaphas, being the high priest that same year, said unto them, Ye know nothing at all, 11:50 Nor consider that it is expedient for us, that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not.

- Mark 14:3 And being in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard very precious; and she brake the box, and poured *it* on his head.
- Mark 14:4 And there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said, Why was this waste of the ointment made?
- Mark 14:5 For it might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given to the poor. And they murmured against her.

- Mark 14:6 And Jesus said, Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me.
- Mark 14:7 For ye have the poor with you always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good: but me ye have not always.
- Mark 14:8 She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying.

Mark 14:9 Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, *this* also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her.

Cf: Matthew 26:1-16 and compare John 12:1-8. The action of the Sanhedrim was taken on Wednesday, the Anointing took place the Saturday before, and is brought up here on account of its connection with the bargain Judas made with the chief priests.

Mark 14:10 And Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went unto the chief priests, to betray him unto them.

Mark 14:11 And when they heard *it,* they were glad, and promised to give him money. And he sought how he might conveniently betray him.

Zechariah 11:10-17 And I took my staff, even Beauty, and cut it asunder, that I might break my covenant which I had made with all the people. 11:11 And it was broken in that day: and so the poor of the flock that waited upon me knew that it was the word of the LORD. 11:12 And I said unto them, If ye think good, give me my price; and if not, forbear. So they weighed for my price thirty *pieces* of silver. 11:13 And the LORD said unto me, Cast it unto the potter: a goodly price that I was prised at of them. And I took the thirty *pieces* of silver, and cast them to the potter in the house of the LORD. 11:14 Then I cut asunder mine other staff, even Bands, that I might break the brotherhood between Judah and Israel. 11:15 And the LORD said unto me, Take unto thee yet the instruments of a foolish shepherd. 11:16 For, lo, I will raise up a shepherd in the land, which shall not visit those that be cut off, neither shall seek the young one, nor heal that that is broken, nor feed that that standeth still: but he shall eat the flesh of the fat, and tear their claws in pieces. 11:17 Woe to the idol shepherd that leaveth the flock! the sword *shall be* upon his arm, and upon his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened.

Matthew 26:14 Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests, 26:15 And said *unto them,* What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver. 26:16 And from that time he sought opportunity to betray him.

Matthew 27:1 When the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death: 27:2 And when they had bound him, they led him away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor. 27:3 Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, 27:4 Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What *is that* to us? see thou *to that.* 27:5 And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself. 27:6 And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood. 27:7 And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in. 27:8 Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day.

Acts 1:16 Men and brethren, this scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus. 1:17 For he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this ministry. 1:18 Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out. 1:19 And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem; insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood. 1:20 For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his

habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein: and his bishoprick let another take.

- Mark 14:12 And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the passover, his disciples said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and prepare that thou mayest eat the passover?
- Mark 14:13 And he sendeth forth two of his disciples, and saith unto them, Go ye into the city, and there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water: follow him.
- Mark 14:14 And wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the goodman of the house, The Master saith, Where is the guestchamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples?
- Mark 14:15 And he will shew you a large upper room furnished and prepared: there make ready for us.
- Mark 14:16 And his disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover.
- Mark 14:17 And in the evening he cometh with the twelve.
- Mark 14:18 And as they sat and did eat, Jesus said, Verily I say unto you, One of you which eateth with me shall betray me.
- Mark 14:19 And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto him one by one, *Is* it I? and another *said*, *Is* it I?
- Mark 14:20 And he answered and said unto them, *It is* one of the twelve, that dippeth with me in the dish.
- Mark 14:21 The Son of man indeed goeth, as it is written of him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! good were it for that man if he had never been born.
- On the Lord's last passover cf: Matthew 26:21-25. Compare Luke 22:21-23; John 13:21-35.
- Mark 14:22 And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed,

and brake *it,* and gave to them, and said, Take, eat: this is my body.

- Mark 14:23 And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave *it* to them: and they all drank of it.
- Mark 14:24 And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many.
- Mark 14:25 Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the kingdom of God.

Mark 14:26 And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.

I Corinthians 11:17-34 Now in this that I declare unto you I praise you not, that ye come together not for the better, but for the worse. For first of all, when ye come together in the church, I hear that there be divisions among you; and I partly believe it. 11:19 For there must be also heresies among you, that they which are approved may be made manifest among you. 11:20 When ye come together therefore into one place, this is not to eat the Lord's supper. 11:21 For in eating every one taketh before other his own supper: and one is hungry, and another is drunken. 11:22 What? have ye not houses to eat and to drink in? or despise ye the church of God, and shame them that have not? What shall I say to you? shall I praise you in this? I praise you not. 11:23 For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: 11:24 And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. 11:25 After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink *it,* in remembrance of me. 11:26 For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come. 11:27 Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. 11:28 But let a man examine himself, and

so let him eat of *that* bread, and drink of *that* cup. 11:29 For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. 11:30 For this cause many *are* weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. 11:31 For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. 11:32 But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world. 11:33 Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another. 11:34 And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come. –

- Mark 14:27 And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered.
- Mark 14:28 But after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee.
- Mark 14:29 But Peter said unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet *will* not I.
- Mark 14:30 And Jesus saith unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this day, *even* in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice.
- Mark 14:31 But he spake the more vehemently, If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any wise. Likewise also said they all.
- Cf: Matthew 26:31-35 and Luke 22:31-38.
- Mark 14:32 And they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and he saith to his disciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray.
- Mark 14:33 And he taketh with him Peter and James and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy;
- Mark 14:34 And saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death: tarry ye here, and watch.

- Mark 14:35 And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him.
- Mark 14:36 And he said, Abba, Father, all things *are* possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.
- Mark 14:37 And he cometh, and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, Simon, sleepest thou? couldest not thou watch one hour?
- Mark 14:38 Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly *is* ready, but the flesh *is* weak.
- Mark 14:39 And again he went away, and prayed, and spake the same words.
- Mark 14:40 And when he returned, he found them asleep again, (for their eyes were heavy,) neither wist they what to answer him.
- Mark 14:41 And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take *your* rest: it is enough, the hour is come; behold, the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.
- Mark 14:42 Rise up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth me is at hand.
- They came to a place which was named Gethsemane. Cf: Matthew 26:36-46, where the fullest account of the agony is given. Compare Luke 22:40-46. Luke only speaks of the "sweat, as it were drops of blood."
- Mark 14:43 And immediately, while he yet spake, cometh Judas, one of the twelve, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders.

- Mark 14:44 And he that betrayed him had given them a token, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he; take him, and lead *him* away safely.
- Mark 14:45 And as soon as he was come, he goeth straightway to him, and saith, Master, master; and kissed him.
- Mark 14:46 And they laid their hands on him, and took him.
- Mark 14:47 And one of them that stood by drew a sword, and smote a servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear.
- Mark 14:48 And Jesus answered and said unto them, Are ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and *with* staves to take me?
- Mark 14:49 I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and ye took me not: but the scriptures must be fulfilled.
- Mark 14:50 And they all forsook him, and fled.
- Mark 14:51 And there followed him a certain young man, having a linen cloth cast about *his* naked *body;* and the young men laid hold on him:
- Mark 14:52 And he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked For the Betrayal and Arrest cf: Matthew 26:47-56. Compare Luke 22:47-53; John 18:1-12. Mark 14: verses 51 and 52 are peculiar to Mark. Some have supposed the certain young man to be Mark. This is only conjecture. The incident may have been introduced to show the rudeness of the Jewish authorities. The linen cloth was a night robe.
- Mark 14:53 And they led Jesus away to the high priest: and with him were assembled all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes.
- Mark 14:54 And Peter followed him afar off, even into the palace of the high priest: and he sat with the servants, and warmed himself at the fire.

- Mark 14:55 And the chief priests and all the council sought for witness against Jesus to put him to death; and found none.
- Mark 14:56 For many bare false witness against him, but their witness agreed not together.
- Mark 14:57 And there arose certain, and bare false witness against him, saying,
- Mark 14:58 We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands.
- Mark 14:59 But neither so did their witness agree together.
- Mark 14:60 And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying, Answerest thou nothing? what *is it which* these witness against thee?
- Mark 14:61 But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?
- Mark 14:62 And Jesus said, I am: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.
- Psalm 110:1 A Psalm of David. The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

  Psalm 110:4 The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek
- Daniel 7:13-14 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, *one* like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. 7:14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his

dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be destroyed.

Revelation 1:7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they *also* which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

- Mark 14:63 Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith, What need we any further witnesses?
- Mark 14:64 Ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye? And they all condemned him to be guilty of death.

Mark 14:65 And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to buffet him, and to say unto him, Prophesy: and the servants did strike him with the palms of their hands.

For Trial of Christ cf: Luke 22:63-71; John 18:13-27. Mark's account corresponds very closely with Matthew's.

- Mark 14:66 And as Peter was beneath in the palace, there cometh one of the maids of the high priest:
- Mark 14:67 And when she saw Peter warming himself, she looked upon him, and said, And thou also wast with Jesus of Nazareth.
- Mark 14:68 But he denied, saying, I know not, neither understand I what thou sayest. And he went out into the porch; and the cock crew.
- Mark 14:69 And a maid saw him again, and began to say to them that stood by, This is *one* of them.
- Mark 14:70 And he denied it again. And a little after, they that stood by said again to Peter, Surely thou art *one* of them: for thou art a Galilaean, and thy speech agreeth *thereto*.
- Mark 14:71 But he began to curse and to swear, *saying,* I know not this man of whom ye speak.

Mark 14:72 And the second time the cock crew. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus said unto him, Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. And when he thought thereon, he wept.

Peter was beneath in the palace cf: Matthew 26:69-75. Compare Luke 22:54-62, John 18:15-17 and 25-27. He wept. The form of the Greek verb (imperfect) implies that he continued weeping. "It is a touching and beautiful tradition, true to the sincerity of his repentance, that, all his life long, the remembrance of this night never left him, and that, morning by morning, he rose at the hour when the look of his Master had entered his soul, to pray once more for pardon."