

Week VII - Mark 14:1-16:8

Trials/Cross/Empty Tomb

Jesus faces 2 trials - Temple & Roman

- Mark 14:53f & Mark 15:1f
- Temple & Rome Theme for from Mark 1:1, 8:15- Beware of Yeast of Pharisees & Herod

Roman Trial - Crowd is given a Choice:

- 15:7- Jesus Barabbas or Jesus Christ/King of Jews. Why do you think the leaders selected Barabbas?

Last Supper - 14:26 - Peter's Denial expected

- **14:28** - Jesus notes that he'll go before them to Galilee after resurrection - **Mark 1:16**

Mark 14:32f - Prayer in Gethsemane - Even Jesus wishes there was another way! Yet, Jesus submits to God's will

Mark 14:43 - Betrayal by Judas and Arrest

14:47 - One disciple fought - *How do you have a Revolution without taking up arms?*

14:48-49 - Arrest in dark - Secretly - What does this say about the powers of this world?

V. 50-51 - all abandon Jesus and a young man leaves naked

Mark 15:21-38 - Crucifixion - Roman tool to keep people in fear and in line. Bet. 2 Bandits
- Remember James & John request 10:35
- V. 38 & 39 - The Curtain of the Temple:
- The centurion - "Truly, this man was God's Son." - Mark bookended - "Son of God"

The Role of Women -Take Center Stage in 16:1

-Mark 1:31 - Peter's Mother-in-law: Serves

-Mark 5:21f- Jarius' Daughter & Women with
flow of blood for 12 years.

-Mark 7:24-Syrophenician Woman - Faith

-Mark 12:4 - Widow's offering - Gives All

-Mark 14:3f - Anointing Jesus - a woman
accepts the way of the Cross

-Mark 15:40 - Women witness Crucifixion &
"Follow him and serve him"

-Mark 14:69 - Servant Girl calls out Peter

-Mark 16:1-8 - Follow all the way to the tomb

- Call to discipleship - Go and Tell - Galilee

Mark 1:16 - Hear call & Follow - circular

- The women fail for fear - We all finally Fail
The call is to follow, keep following,

Meet Jesus in Galilee & follow to Jerusalem

Observations and Questions

Note that there are 2 trials: Religious/Temple & Secular/Rome. Do you see a theme in Mark?

14:7 - “What are we to make of this statement that the “Poor will be with you always”?”

14:28- Pay attention to the call to meet Jesus in Galilee after the Resurrection: 14:28 & 1:16

14:43 - How do you have a revolution without taking up arms?

Why Choose Jesus Barabbas over Jesus the Christ/King of the Jews?

Notice that Mark’s Gospel is bookended with the title Son of God: v. 1:1 & V. 15:39

Reflection: Will you go to meet Jesus in Galilee? How will you respond to the call, “Follow Me?”