

...Christ died for the ungodly.

Romans 5:6 (NIV)

119 In Place of Someone Else

Matthew 27:16-26, Mark 15:6-15

“Should I let the King of the Jews go free?” Pilate asked the people.

Pilate was the Roman governor in Jerusalem and each year he would release a prisoner that the people chose. This year, he offered them Jesus, but they yelled, “Give us Barabbas!”

Barabbas was a rebel who had killed people. Barabbas had done many wrong things. Jesus was innocent, but the leaders convinced the people to ask for wicked Barabbas.

“What do I do with your King?” Pilate asked.

“Crucify Him,” the people yelled.

“Why? What has He done to deserve that?” asked Pilate. Pilate knew Jesus was innocent.

Still, the people yelled and yelled, “Crucify Him!”

Finally, Pilate decide to give them what they asked. He released Barabbas and sent Jesus to be crucified.

Imagine how that was for Barabbas. He had done many wrong things, but he was walking free! Jesus was sent to die in his place and he knew it.

That’s how it is for each of us. Innocent Jesus died in our place and forgave us for all our sins. We can accept what He did for us and walk free!

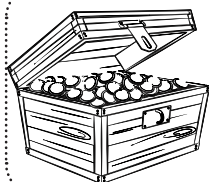


What did we discover?

- 1) Pilate was the _____.
KING OF THE JEWS ROMAN GOVERNOR PRIEST
- 2) Barabbas was _____.
A REBEL JESUS’ FRIEND AN ANGEL
- 3) When Pilate offered Jesus, the people asked to free _____.
JESUS BARABBAS PILATE
- 4) _____ took the Barabbas’ place and mine too!
PILATE JESUS PETER



Why did Jesus take my place?



Jesus took my place.

Jesus took the place of every sinner who lets Him.



**Lord,
I am thankful
for Your sacrifice
for me.**