WHAT SHALL I THEN DO WITH JESUS Matthew 27

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Introduction:

1. It's A Personal Question (vs 22) "...shall I do"

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Here Pilate tried to:

A. Disclaim the issue (vs 17)

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Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?

B. Dismiss the issue (Luke 23:7)

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And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time.

C. Discuss the issue (vs 13,14)

Matthew 27:13-14

Then said Pilate unto him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee? [14] And he answered him to never a word; insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly.

D. Distract from the issue (vs 17)

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Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?

E. Disown the issue (vs 24)

Matthew 27:24

When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it.

2. It's A Particular Question (vs 22) "...with Jesus, which is called Christ?"

A. The guiltless Christ (vs 23)

B. The glorious Christ (vs 19)

C. The gracious Christ (vs 11)

3. It's A Pertinent Question (vs 22) THEN

- A. Your standing before God depends on it.
- B. Your state in life depends on it.
- C. Your status in eternity depends on it.

4. IT A PRESSING QUESTION "WHAT"

Pilate would decide

- A. Personally
- B. Particularly
- C. Pertinently
- D. Promptly
- E. Permanently

5. It's A Pitiful Question - in light of what Pilate did.

Pilate rejected Jesus

A. Carelessly - He treated his opportunity with disdain.

B. Consciously - He even wrote Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews (John 19:19)

C. Callously (vs 19) - he also rejected his wife's warning.

D. Cunningly - Herod failed, scourging failed, and bargaining failed, washing his hands failed.

E. Cowardly - he loved his position and feared men.

F. Contritely - Pilate was responsible for the suffering caused and was sorry afterwards, when it was too late.