

Gospel of Luke 19:45–20:47

“David's son becomes his Lord”

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Why learn from Jesus?

- Today, we and our youth have become subject to the tactics and strategies of cognitive warfare.
- This includes neuro-linguistic programming, leading to mass psychosis.
- Powerful, non-elect men are actively manipulating our thoughts, beliefs and emotions.
- These psychological operations make us fearful, compliant, or obedient to unseen authorities.
- The Gospel of Jesus remains our best defense, providing us with credible, alternative truth.

Background

- Religious leaders sought to suppress popular preachers.
- Everyone remembered the disastrous tax revolt of year 6 CE.
- Wealthy absentee landowners rented out land to tenant farmers.
- If a man died in a vineyard, then this would defile the fruit.
- Foreign coins bore the emperor's image and the divine status that they claimed.
- Jews believed that angels do not procreate because God can create new ones.
- Jews understood that many psalms spoke about their awaited Messiah.
- God deplores those who perform religious duties to be seen by others.

1. Leaders seek to kill Jesus, 19:45-48

- “It is written”: Quoted from the F.T./H.B.
- “My house...”: Isaiah 56:7 (9th cent. BCE).
- “Den of robbers”: Jeremiah 7:11 (6th BCE).
- “Kill him”: Why? What for?
 - He claimed to be the awaited Messiah.
 - They feared the Romans would intervene.

2. Leaders question Jesus' Authority, 20:1-8

- Why did Jesus decline to assert his authority?
 - He had already demonstrated it.
 - They had already rejected him.
 - He enjoyed outwitting the arrogant.

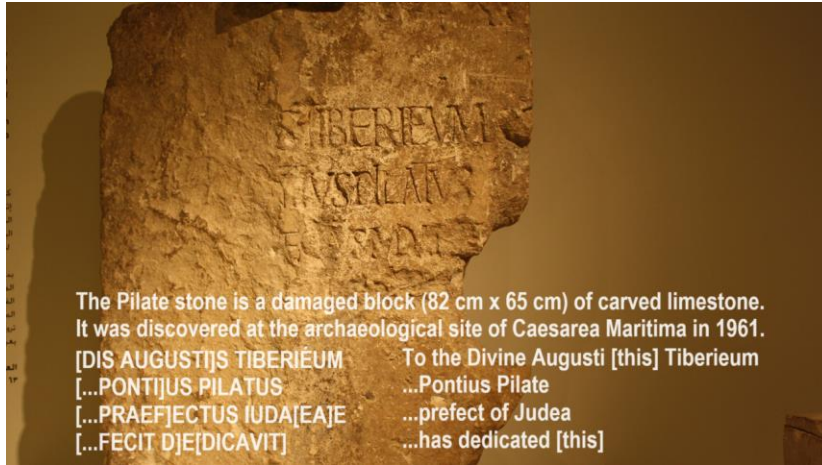
3. Jesus questions the leaders' authority, 20:9-19

“God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” *John 3:16*

- Why throw him out, then kill him?
 - A death in a vineyard rendered the fruit unclean and inedible.
- Isaiah 8:14,15

4. Leaders seek to entrap Jesus, 20:20-26

- The governor: Pontius Pilatus, 5th Prefect of Judaea, In office c. 26–36 CE.
 - Appointed by Roman Emperor Tiberius.



Denarius of Gaius Julius Caesar Augustus, and of Marcus Antonius, struck at Ephesus in 41 BC. In 33 CE, a denarius was the daily wage of a Roman soldier.

5. Jesus corrects those leaders' beliefs, 20:27-39

"They are God's children" [Greek: 'sons of God'].

- Who were the 'sons of God' in the F.T.?
- Who were the 'sons of God' in the N.T.?

6. Jesus queries those leaders, 20:41-44

נאם יהוה לאדני ne²um yehwah l·?adoni
 שב לימיני shev l·imini
 עד אשית איביך 'ad-²ashith ²oyeveyka
 הדם לרגליך hadom le·ragley·ka.

Declaration of **Yahweh** to my **lord**:

"Sit at my right hand
until I make your enemies
a footstool for your feet."

[El, Elohim (singular/plural = Israel's God)]

- 1 The **LORD** (Yahweh = God's own Name)
- 2 **Adon·i** (singular 'my Lord' = Messiah) [Adonay plural = God]
- 3 David
- 4 David's son (Messiah)

7. Jesus warns his disciples about leaders, 20:45-47

- Punished: Why? When? Where? How?

"The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." *Romans 6:23*