

Luke 23:1-31 – Guilty or innocent?

When the innocent are punished unjustly

1. Accusations

By Jews - V2, and lies - Lk 20.20-27
Lk 19.38
Before Herod (Isa 53.7)

2. Is Jesus guilty or innocent?

V4, 14-15, 22 (3 times – not guilty)

People abuse their power
And have No interest in truth or justice
Like our society

3. Are we guilty or innocent?

We are like all those around Jesus
Rom 3.23 (Isa 53.6)
Rom 3.24-26 – justified by faith (2 Cor 5.21)

We are like Barabbas – guilty but counted innocent
How should we respond?
Gratitude, praise
Live for righteousness (1 Pet 2.24)
Eg. Clint's brother

4. Weeping and Warning – v26-

Jesus too weak to carry his cross
Jesus' love for the Jerusalem women
Warning of Jerusalem destroyed & final judgement
Lk 21.17ff; Hos 10.8; Rev 6.16ff

We need to take sin seriously