*31* Then Pilate says to them, Take ye Him and judge Him according to your law. The Jews therefore said to him, It is not lawful for us to kill anyone,

*32* that the saying of Jesus might be fulfilled, which He said, signifying by what death He was about to die.

*33* Then Pilate entered again into the governor's hall, and called Jesus, and said to Him, Art Thou the King of the Jews?

34 Jesus answered him, Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell thee of Me?

*35* Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered Thee up to me; what hast Thou done?

*36* Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world; if My kingdom was of this world, then would My servants<sup>41</sup> strive that I should not be delivered up to the Jews; but° now is My kingdom not from hence.

*37* Pilate therefore says to Him, Art Thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. For this was I born, and for this I came into the world, that I might bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.

38 Pilate said to Him, What is truth? And saying this, he again went out to the Jews and says to them, I find no

guilt in Him.

*39* But° you have a custom, that I should release to you one at the Passover; do you intend then that I release to you the King of the Jews?

40 Then they all again cried out, saying, Not this *Man*, but Barabbas; and<sup>°</sup> Barabbas was a robber.

## CHAPTER 19

THEN Pilate therefore took Jesus and scourged Him.

2 And the soldiers having braided a crown of thorns, put *it* on His head, and they cast around Him a crimson garment,

*3* and said, Hail, King of the Jews; and they gave Him hits with a staff.

4 Then Pilate went out again, and said to them, Behold, I bring Him out to you, that you may know that I find in Him no guilt.

5 Then came Jesus out bearing the crown of thorns and the crimson garment; and He<sup>42</sup> says to them, Behold the Man<sup>43</sup>!

6 Therefore when the chief priests and officers saw Him, they cried out, saying, Crucify *Him*, crucify *Him*. Pilate says to them, Take ye Him and crucify *Him*, for I find no guilt in Him.

<sup>41.</sup> Literally, "officers"

<sup>42.</sup> The Lord said "Behold the Man," not Pilate as in KJV and NKJV; see *Doctrine of the Lord* 16:7.

<sup>43. &</sup>quot;Human being"; Greek anthropos