

Who put Jesus on the cross

Easter Part 3

1. Religious big wigs –

Mat 22:15 Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words.

Interesting isn't it – The religious started the process of crucifying Jesus. It was the people who really should have recognised who Jesus was and what His presence meant that started the process of getting rid of Him.

2. The crowd Mark 15:13-14

Mar 15:13 And they cried out again, "Crucify him."

Mar 15:14 And Pilate said to them, "Why? What evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him

The amazing thing here is that not only was their religious political interference included in the whole process. The so called rank and file are also implicated. Really, the process was inclusive of all who were there. They all got carried away. They all made the decision to crucify. It is a story where no one is exempt.

3. The authorities

Mar 15:15 So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

Much of the blame falls on Pilate. The assumption is he was a weak leader and just tried to appease everyone. MM, is that right? Or did he get carried along like the religious dudes and the crowd or maybe he saw this as the best option. DO remember that he enquired and asked questions, even offered someone else in Jesus place. No one else tired that, Noone else looked at the alternatives.

4. You -me

Are here we go. How could I have put Jesus on the cross, I wasn't there. Well, the idea here is all have sinned. Jesus went to the cross to deal with sin issues. YOU HAVE SINNED. HE went to the cross to deal with your sin issues. IN other words your sin put him there as much as anyone elses. Take responsibility for that. The amazing thing is that Jesus went and died on the cross so that we can be fixed up so that we can have a right relationship with Jesus. We put Him there, He fixed it.