

## Chronology of Trials

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| <b>Sanhedrin Unofficial Trial</b> | <p>House of Caiaphas. This hearing was conducted at night (in secrecy). It was full of illegalities that made a mockery of justice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Peter's denial</li> <li>● Jesus is mocked</li> </ul>   | <p>Mt.26:57-68<br/>Lk.22:54-62<br/>Jn.18:12-24</p> |
| <b>Sanhedrin Official Trial</b>   | <p>Just after daybreak, seventy members of the Jewish Supreme Court met to rubber-stamp their approval of the previous hearings to make them appear legal. The purpose of this trial was not to determine justice but to justify their own preconceptions of Jesus' guilt.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● death of Judas</li> </ul>   | <p>Lk.22:66-71<br/>Mt.27:3-10</p>                  |
| <b>Pilate</b>                     | <p>The religious leaders had condemned Jesus to death on religious grounds but only the Roman government could grant the death penalty. Thus they took Jesus to Pilate, the Roman governor, and accused him of treason and rebellion (crimes for which the penalty was death). Pilate saw at once that Jesus was innocent but was afraid of the uproar being caused by the religious leaders.</p>   | <p>Jn.18:28-38</p>                                 |
| <b>Herod</b>                      | <p>Since Jesus' home was in the region of Galilee, Pilate sent him to Herod Antipas, the ruler of Galilee, who was in Jerusalem for the Passover. Herod was eager to see Jesus do a miracle but when Jesus remained silent he wanted nothing to do with him and sent him back to Pilate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Jesus is mocked again</li> </ul>  | <p>Lk.23:7-12</p>                                  |
| <b>Pilate</b>                     | <p>Pilate was not interested in condemning Jesus because he knew that Jesus was innocent. However, he also knew that another uprising in his district might cost him his position. He tried to compromise with the religious leaders by releasing Jesus as was their custom at Passover, but to no avail. Instead, the religious leaders called for an insurrectionist to be released (Barabbas). Finally Pilate gave Jesus over to be executed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Jesus is flogged</li> <li>● Jesus is condemned</li> </ul> | <p>Lk.23:13-22<br/>Mk.15:16-20<br/>Jn.19:4-16</p>  |