

THE END OF THE BEGINNING

YOU'RE NOT FAR: PART 7

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“The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”

Mark 1:15

They led Jesus away to the high priest, and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes convened. Peter followed Him at a distance, right into the high priest's courtyard. He was sitting with the temple police, warming himself by the fire.

...many were giving false testimony against [Jesus], but the testimonies did not agree.

...Then the high priest stood up before them all and questioned Jesus, “Don't You have an answer to what these men are testifying against You?” but He kept silent and did not answer anything. Again the high priest questioned Him, “Are You the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?”

“I am,” said Jesus, “and all of you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power and coming with the clouds of heaven.”

Then the high priest tore his robes and said, “Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard the blasphemy! What is your decision?” And they all condemned Him to be deserving of death.

...While Peter was in the courtyard below, one of the high priest's servants came. When she saw Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, “You also were with that Nazarene, Jesus.”

But he denied it: “I don't know or understand what you're talking about!” Then he went out to the entryway, and a rooster crowed.

When the servant saw him again she began to tell those standing nearby, “This man is one of them!”

But again he denied it. After a little while those standing there said to Peter again, “You certainly are one of them, since you're also a Galilean!”

Then he started to curse and to swear with an oath, “I don't know this man you're talking about!”

Immediately a rooster crowed a second time, and Peter remembered when Jesus had spoken the word to him, “Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny Me three times.” When he thought about it, he began to weep.

Mark 14:53-72

After tying Jesus up, they led Him away and handed Him over to Pilate. So Pilate asked Him, “Are You the King of the Jews?”

He answered him, “You have said it.”

And the chief priests began to accuse Him of many things. Then Pilate questioned Him again, “Are You not answering anything? Look how many things they are accusing You of!” But Jesus still did not answer anything, so Pilate was amazed.

...But the chief priests stirred up the crowd... Again they shouted, “Crucify Him!”

...Then, willing to gratify the crowd...after having Jesus flogged, he handed Him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers led Him away into the courtyard and called the whole company together. They dressed Him in a purple robe, twisted together a crown of thorns, and put it on Him. And they began to salute Him, “Hail, King of the Jews!” They kept hitting Him on the head with a reed and spitting on Him. Getting down on their knees, they were paying Him homage. When they had mocked Him, they stripped Him of the purple robe, put His clothes on Him, and led Him out to crucify Him.

...And they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means Skull Place)...Then they crucified Him and divided His clothes, casting lots for them to decide what each would get.

...Those who passed by were yelling insults at Him, shaking their heads, and saying, “Ha! The One who would demolish the sanctuary and build it in three days, save Yourself by coming down from the cross!” In the same way, the chief priests with the scribes were mocking Him to one another and saying, “He saved others; He cannot save Himself! Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross, so that we may see and believe.”

...And at three Jesus cried out with a loud voice... “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?”

...Jesus let out a loud cry and breathed His last. Then the curtain of the sanctuary was split in two from top to bottom.

Mark 15:1-38

He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, so that, having died to sins, we might live for righteousness; you have been healed by His wounds.

1 Peter 2:24

God and sin are like _____ and _____.

_____ created Christianity!

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome brought spices, so they could go and anoint Him... Looking up, they observed that the stone – which was very large – had been rolled away. When they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; they were amazed and alarmed.

“Don't be alarmed,” he told them. “You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has been resurrected! He is not here! See the place where they put Him. But go, tell His disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you to Galilee; you will see Him there just as He told you.’”

Mark 16:1-7

Your _____ is not in vain.

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