

John 19:1-15 (NASB)

**The Crown of
Thrones**



**1 So Pilate then took Jesus
and had Him flogged.**



2 And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and placed it on His head, and put a purple cloak on Him;



3 and they *repeatedly* came up to Him and said, “Hail, King of the Jews!” and slapped Him in the face *again and again.*



4 And *then* Pilate came out again and said to them, "See, I am bringing Him out to you so that you will know that I find no grounds at all for charges in His case."



**5 Jesus then came out,
wearing the crown of
thorns and the purple robe.
And *Pilate* said to them,
“Behold, the Man!”**



6 So when the chief priests and the officers saw Him, they shouted, saying, "Crucify, crucify!" Pilate said to them, "Take Him yourselves and crucify *Him*; for I find no grounds for charges in His case!"



**7 The Jews answered him,
“We have a law, and by
that law He ought to die,
because He made Himself
out to be the Son of God!”**



**8 Therefore when Pilate
heard this statement, he
was *even* more afraid;**



9 and he entered the Praetorium again and said to Jesus, "Where are You from?" But Jesus gave him no answer.




**10 So Pilate said to Him,
“Are you not speaking to
me? Do You not know that
I have authority to release
You, and I have authority
to crucify You?”**



**11 Jesus answered him,
“You would have no
authority over Me at all, if
it had not been given to
you from above; for this
reason the one who handed
Me over to you has *the*
greater sin.”**



12 As a result of this, Pilate made efforts to release Him; but the Jews shouted, saying, "If you release this Man, you are not a friend of Caesar; everyone who makes himself *out to be* a king opposes Caesar!"



13 Therefore when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out, and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Pavement—but in Hebrew, Gabbatha.



14 Now it was the day of preparation for the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. And he said to the Jews, "Look, your King!"



15 So they shouted, "Away with Him, away with *Him*, crucify *Him*!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king except Caesar."

