

## Who Crucified Jesus?

*KJV Matthew 27:35* And **they crucified him**, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots.

*John 19:23* **The soldiers therefore, when they had crucified Jesus**, took His outer garments and made four parts, a part to every soldier and also the tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece.

*Luke 23:33* And when they came to the place called The Skull, there **they crucified Him** and the criminals, one on the right and the other on the left.

In each of the Gospels the scripture says; “*and they crucified Him*”!

Who is “**they**”? The people, the soldiers, The Jews who are they?

- ❖ Even to this day many people even Christians **blame** The Jews for crucifying Jesus!

*KJV Matthew 20:19* And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify him: and the third day he shall rise again.

The scripture here says **The Gentiles** crucified Jesus!

*KJV Mark 15:11* But the chief priests (**religious leaders**) moved (**stirred up**) the people, that he should rather release Barabbas unto them.  
*12* And Pilate answered and said again unto them, What will ye then that I shall do unto him whom ye call the King of the Jews?  
*13* And they cried out again, Crucify him.

This occurred at the **Passover** the most important Jewish holy day!

The **religious leaders** of that day were more **political** than **religious**!

They were more interested in maintaining their political power and position with Rome than teaching the people about God!

**Jesus was a threat to them**, and they wanted Him out of the way, so what do they do—they **stir up, motivate or manipulate** the people.

So, we have the scripture saying The Jews, Gentiles, Chief Priests, soldiers and Pilate all having a part to play in crucifying Jesus.

### ❖ Why is it important to know who crucified Jesus?

*KJV Luke 23:33* And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.

*34* Then said Jesus, *Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.*

Because Jesus asked The Father to **forgive** the people involved because they were **ignorant**, they were being used.

They didn't really know what they were doing!

If people could be **manipulated** to crucify Jesus what else can people be manipulated to do?

And **who** was doing the **manipulation**?

For **over 2000 years** mankind has been fighting each other over who crucified Jesus!

Maybe if we got the revelation of who really crucified Jesus and who has been **stirring up the people** all this time, we might discover who the real enemy is, come together and change the world!

The apostle Paul tells his son in the ministry in **1 Tim 1:12-13** how grateful he is to Christ who **empowered and anointed** him counting him faithful and putting him in the ministry.

Even though he was **formerly** a **persecutor of the church** (Acts 8:3) breaking into houses and dragging men, women and children off to prison because they didn't believe like he did!

Paul says God treated him with **mercy** because he did it in **ignorance**! **Paul was a learned man! He was a highly educated man, yet he was ignorant to The Truth!**

**Someone or something was controlling his mind, putting thoughts in his head causing him to act wickedly and unrighteously, against God's plan.**

**Who and what was it? Could it be the same as those who stirred up the chief priest, gentiles, Jews and soldiers?**

This is why Jesus even on the cross had mercy for the people....

*Luke 23:34b... Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.*

❖ **God holds no human being responsible for crucifying Jesus!**

**They were being used, manipulated and coerced!**

**So, who crucified Jesus?**

*KJV Ephesians 6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.*

*ESV Deuteronomy 32:7 Remember the days of old; consider the years of many generations; ask your father, and he will show you, your elders, and they will tell you.*

*8 When the Most High gave to the nations their inheritance, when he divided mankind, he fixed the borders of the peoples according to the number of the sons of God.*

*9 But the LORD's portion is his people, Jacob his allotted heritage.*

After Babel God divided the nations into **70 groups** and gave His Divine Sons charge over governing the nations.

God chose Israel as His own special people out of all the nations that rebelled against Him.

The others continue to rebel and made the Sons of God false gods, worshipping them—they are the **principalities, powers and rulers of the darkness of this world.**

*ESV Psalm 82:1 A Psalm of Asaph. God has taken his place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:*

2 "How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked?  
Selah

3 Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute.

4 Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked."

They are the powerful forces behind the Jews, Gentiles, Chief Priests, soldiers, Pilate and the people who God ultimately holds responsible.

*KJV 1 Corinthians 2:8* Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

The apostle Paul says it was **the princes (principalities) of this world!**

**They crucified Jesus! They manipulated the people, they put the thoughts in the minds of The Chief Priests, The Gentiles, the Jews at Passover and The Soldiers!**

*KJV Ephesians 6:12* For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

**But Paul says it was THE RULERS (plural) of this world who was responsible for crucifying Jesus!**

Paul says if the **princes of this world** knew what **crucifying Jesus** would really do, they **never would have done it!**

*KJV 2 Corinthians 13:4* For though he was crucified through weakness, yet he liveth by the power of God. For we also are weak in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you.

*KJV Galatians 2:20* I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.