



International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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John 18:33-40 Scripture Handout New International Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
 2. What does this verse mean to me?
- Discuss your answers with the class.

(John 18:33) Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

(John 18:34) “Is that your own idea,” Jesus asked, “or did others talk to you about me?”

(John 18:35) “Am I a Jew?” Pilate replied. “Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?”

(John 18:36) Jesus said, “My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.”

(John 18:37) “You are a king, then!” said Pilate. Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.”

(John 18:38) “What is truth?” retorted Pilate. With this he went out again to the Jews gathered there and said, “I find no basis for a charge against him.

(John 18:39) But it is your custom for me to release to you one prisoner at the time of the Passover. Do you want me to release ‘the king of the Jews’?”

(John 18:40) They shouted back, “No, not him! Give us Barabbas!” Now Barabbas had taken part in an uprising.

Write out the verse or verses you have been assigned below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Personal Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?