



LESSON 61 TAKEN BEFORE PILATE

Side Texts to be

studied with

Matt. 27:1.

November 1, 1899 In the March 3, 1900. Jerusalem, A. D. 31 (Matt. 26:67 to 27:10; Mark 14:65 to 15:1; Lake 22:38 to 23:1; John 18:25-28.)

- 1. Having agreed that Jesus was a blasphemer for admitting Himself to be the Son of God, how did the assembly begin to act? Matt. 26 : 67, 68.
- **2.** At this juncture what was said to Peter? With what result? Matt. 26 : 72. John 8:25.
- **3.** About an hour later what was said to Peter ? With what effect? Luke 22 :59, 60. John 18: 26; Matt. 26 :74.
- **4.** What then took place? Verses, 61, 62.
- 5. As day dawned, what was done with Jesus? Verse 66. See note 1.
- 6. Having secured a meeting of the Sanhedrin, what question did the elders and priests again ask Jesus? Verse 67.
- 7. What answer was returned to this? Verses 67-69.
- 8. What question was then asked by all the council together? Verse 70.
- **9.** How did they regard Christ's answer? Verse 71.
- **10.** Having found sufficient ground, as they thought, to
condemn the Lord, what did the council unitedly do ?John 18 : 28;
Matt. 27 : 2.

Luke 23:1.		
11. When Judas saw that Jesus was condemned by the council, what did he do? Matt. 27 :3.		
12. What confession did he make? What reply was made to him? Verse 4. See note 2.	Matt. 26 14, 15.	
13. What did he do with the pieces of silver? To what tragic end did he come? Verse 5.	Acts 1:18	
14. What did the chief priests do with the money? Verses 6, 7, 15		
15. In this act what scripture was fulfilled ? Verses 8-10.		
READING		
" Desire of Ages," chapter 75; " Spirit of Prophecy," vol. 3, chapter 9.		

NOTES

- 1. The decision of the meeting at the house of Caiaphas was of no binding force. The charge of blasphemy there decided against Christ must have a legal decision from the council of the nation in order to convert it into a charge of treason, and so hold the prisoner in the meshes of the civil law. Jesus is, therefore, hurried into the presence of the national council as soon as its members can be gotten together.
- 2. It must have been humiliating for Judas, hard as he was, to go before the very persons to whom he had shortly before shown himself willing to sell his Master, and there confess that he had betrayed an innocent person. What a lesson for those now who: so readily become accusers of their brethren ! Many such may yet have the same confession to make as did Judas, but, let us hope, with some prospect of correcting the wrong.