# BELIEVE IN JESUS THE KING

Studying John 18:28-40
Jesus Before Pilate

But these are written **that you may**believe that Jesus is the Christ [The King],
the Son of God, and that by believing
[He is the Christ] you may have
[unstoppable & victorious] life in his name

John 20:31



### If I believe in King Jesus . . .

How do I understand the pain in my life and what should I do with it?

"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble **[pain]**. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

John 16:33

"Pain is inevitable. . . The way we interpret and respond to pain throws us into a gear that propels us forward or backward. . . We all have a default mode of dealing with pain: fight, flight or freeze . . . but usually our default mode is neither productive or healthy. It's time to change!"

- Dr. Samuel Chand, Leadership Pain, p234

"The pain you experience isn't unique. We all go through it in this broken world. The answer isn't to try to construct a life that is free from pain. That won't happen in this life. Only dead people - and resurrected people - feel no pain. . . In Christ pain is a pathway to God's transformation and purpose!"

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#### The Gospel of John: Jesus Is Headed To Pain!

		1	Christ The King Comes Unrecognized		
	2.5	2-8	Signs & Declarations So People May See		
	3.5 Years	9-10	Healing The Blind Man: Final Rejection		
		11	Lazarus: The 6th Sign		
		12	Triumphal Entry (Coronation Begins)		
	Last	13-16	Final Acts & Instructions Of The King	Final Six Days Before His	
painful 24			The King's Prayer	Death	
Hours		18-19	The King Goes To Be Crowned	(Holy Week)	
		20	The 7th Sign: The Resurrection (We Believe!)		
		21	The King Restores & Commissions		

## In John 18, Jesus knows He must face **the greatest pain** of this world to get to **the greatest purpose** of God

In John 18, Jesus is betrayed, abandoned & arrested

The Jews beat Him & unfairly condemn Him to death for claiming to be the King.

Before Pilate, Jesus is badly beaten already. With the threat of greater pain in front of Him, Jesus acts differently then Pilate expects

Pilate said. "Don't you realize I have power either to free you or to crucify you?" Jesus answered, "You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above.

### Jesus acts different because His kingdom is different! Pain's power can't overcome it.

Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jews. But now my kingdom is from another place."

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Based on	Truth	Appearances	Lies
I live in	Humility	Narcissism	Pride
Reality is based on	God's Word	My Emotions	Circumstances
In it, I am a	Son/Daughter	Worker/My Savior	Slave/Puppet

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I focus on	listening & loving more	complaining & taking more	justifying & hurting others more
I live by	faith	narcissism	fear
I expect more of	God's good/glory	my work/weariness	world's darkness

### Why does God allow pain?

- 1. This broken world is where you have to start.
- 2. To eliminate pain in this world He would have to eliminate you!
- 3. To reveal dependence & the kingdom you are in (and what your destiny is without Him).
- 4. To grow you to into someone who can hold blessing (growth =change).
- 5. To lead you to God's greatest victory & purpose.

### What should I do with my pain?

- 1. Grieve and get it out before God & select others.
- 2. Stop acting like a victim (& a narcissist).
- 3. Ask for forgiveness (from God & others).
- 4. Tell yourself how loved you are by God! (build your life around God's Kingdom only)
- 5. Listen & love better (serve God & others more).
- 6. Steward what you are going through (Who & where will you be when this is over?)

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