

## ENCOUNTER #32: John 19:1-42 "BEHOLD THE MAN"

### PT I: THE KING AND HIS PEOPLE

DRAWN STORIES ABOUT KINGS WHO WIN THEIR THRONES – fight against all odds, comeback story, forsaken prince overcomes evil uncle stolen throne from rightful heir

- Mattered days monarchies, people pleaded for a good kings – **LIVES HUNG BAL**
  - o **AS GOES THE KING – SO GOES HIS PEOPLE**

TRUE FOR ISRAEL: Saul v David, Ahab v Hezekiah, Jereboam v Josiah good bless bad Cu  
**JC Maybe u didn't know - The gospel tells the story of a King's love for His people.**

**MP: This King didn't inherit His kingdom. This King built His kingdom with His own nail-scarred hands.**

- **SOUL BY SOUL, HEART BY HEART, PERSON BY PERSON – You and You**

**What are we? Ppl separated from God broken in r sin. Who would want us? uknow**

1 Cor 1:27 But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; <sup>28</sup> and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen.

**Every aspect of HIS SUFFERING WAS intended to ridicule, shame and mock him KING. But every aspect of His suffering was HIM BUILDING HIS KINGDOM.**

### PART II: THIS KING LAID HIS LIFE DOWN FOR HIS PEOPLE

**KINGS HAVE CROWNS:** gold + pearls and other precious gems finest craftsmen world st ed's 2868 diamonds, 17 sapphires, 11 emeralds, 269 pearls, and 4 rubies **U WILL C**

- **THIS KING** had a crown of thorns – built for torture mockery – not majestic placed on his head but brutally beat down upon his brow – not to honor/hurt – not proclaiming majesty but **MOCKING**.

**He was crowned with thorns so you could be crowned with glory.**

**KINGS HAVE ROBES:** Royal mantel, symbol of a king's authority, Robes made from the finest materials – purple designated as the color of royalty

- **THIS KING** given a robe – a garment – a piece of cloth – not made with the finest materials, not adorned with the most exclusive fur – ruggedly draped around his shoulders, soaking up his own blood

- o **Stripped naked on cross in front of his followers/critics - SHAMED**

**When our sin is exposed, the shame is a painful thing to bear. He hung in shame so you could stand in His grace. Forgiven. Cleansed. New Creature**

**KINGS HAVE BANNERS:** wave proudly over their kingdoms and are carried before mighty procession having symbols and badges that identify the regal king, nation pride

- **THIS KING** had a sign – a single sign "Jesus of Nazareth – King of the Jews – meant to mock him – meant to minimize him – signifying the rejection of his nation – not their loving adoration
  - o They notoriously clamored for Caesar as their King – offended SIGN

**KINGS ARE FLANKED BY DIGNITARIES:** king seated with his prime minister, generals and other nobility flanking him. Prestigious people of high rank

- **THIS KING** was flanked by two brigands, thieves, murderers, not shouting his praise, but blaspheming his name
- Power Palpable – argument broke out one of thieves received sight - **HANGING**

**Never too late. When the devil says it's too late God calls you to come. Make up ur Jesus was flanked by sinners so you could be surrounded by angels.**

**KINGS ARE LOVED BY THEIR PEOPLE:** celebrated, revered, honored and respected. Crowds line roads holding signs and flowers. Shouts of affection and gratitude. glimpse

- **THIS KING** was despised and rejected. His consort was a small band of women followed him weeping. While the religious leaders hurled insults the general masses were altogether ignorant that the **KING OF THE UNIVERSE** passed before them. Not carried in royal carriage – but carrying his cross

**Don't miss him – don't so busy wur life that u miss the KING PASSES BY NOW job toys**

**KINGS SIT ON A THRONE:** throne is the greatest symbol of power/authority for a King. reserved for King alone. u don't cruise in sit on a King's throne. Dignity/right to rule

- **THIS KING** chose a cross for His throne. The greatest symbol of shame and rejection ever concocted. His arms didn't rest on armrest – they were nailed to the wood. His feet weren't resting on a footstool – they were nailed to the beam. He didn't sit in majestic repose – he heaved his body up to gather a breath. Slowly suffocating. Crowds chant long live the king this crowd cried “crucify Him, crucify”

**He hung on the cross so he could hang on to you. Hang on to him. You're going through it tonight hang on to him. You're tempted to quit hang on to him. Throw in the towel hang on to him. He's worthy bc He hung in there for you. Not just hanging in balance hangin**

### **PART III**

**PILATE:** Behold the Man - Here's ur King – **He's nothing, unworthy, he's like the rest of you Jews, weak and pathetic, no more powerful than insect under my sandal**

**MY POINT HERE TONIGHT IS THAT HIS SUFFERING WAS PERFECT – didn't miss thing.**

**TO ME: NOT JUST BEHOLD THE MAN BUT BEHOLD THE KING**

He took the crown so you could share in His glory, he took the shame so you could be cleansed, He absorbed the rejection so you could be accepted, he was flanked by sinners so you could be surrounded by angels, he hung on a cross so you would never b forsake

**AND I DON'T HAVE TO REMIND U HE ROSE - AND HE'S COMING AGAIN –THIS TIME**

Royal Diadem on his majestic brow, robe dipped in blood, with a name written on it that says says King of Kings and Lord of Lords, My King sits on the throne of David, loved and honored by His people, flanked by His apostles, heavens host of angels and redeemed humanity – WE WILL DECLARE

1 Timothy 1:17 Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, *be* honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.