

CLASH OF KINGS
Game Of Thrones Series, Part 4
April 28, 2019

We must abdicate the throne or _____

“³³Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, ‘Are you the king of the Jews?’ ³⁴‘Is that your own idea,’ Jesus asked, ‘or did others talk to you about me?’ ³⁵‘Am I a Jew?’ Pilate replied. ‘Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?’ ³⁶Jesus 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.’ 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.’ 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. ³⁹But 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”?’ ⁴⁰They shouted back, ‘No, not him! Give us Barabbas!’ Now Barabbas had taken part in an uprising.” John 18:33-40

There is a kingdom from another place _____

“¹Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. ²The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They clothed him in a purple robe ³and went up to him again and again, saying, ‘Hail, king of the Jews!’ And they slapped him in the face. ⁴Once more Pilate came out and said to the Jews, ‘Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no basis for a charge against him.’ ⁵When Jesus came out wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe, Pilate said to them, ‘Here is the man!’ ⁶As soon as the chief priests and their officials saw him, they shouted, ‘Crucify! Crucify!’ But Pilate answered, ‘You take him and crucify him. As for me, I find no basis for a charge against him.’ ⁷The Jewish leaders insisted, ‘We have a law, and according to that law he must die, because he claimed to be the Son of God.’ ⁸When Pilate heard this, he was even more afraid, and he went back inside the palace. ‘Where do you come from?’ he asked Jesus, but Jesus gave him no answer. ¹⁰‘Do you refuse to speak to me?’ Pilate said. ‘Don’t you realize I have power either to free you or to crucify you?’ ¹¹Jesus answered, ‘You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above. Therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin.’” John 19:1-11

What little control we have _____

“¹²From then on, Pilate tried to set Jesus free, but the Jews kept shouting, ‘If you let this man go, you are no friend of Caesar. Anyone who claims to be a king opposes Caesar.’ ¹³When Pilate heard this, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judge’s seat at a place known as the Stone Pavement (which in Aramaic is Gabbatha). ¹⁴It was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about noon. ‘Here is your king,’ Pilate said to the Jews. ¹⁵But they shouted, ‘Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!’ ‘Shall I crucify your king?’ Pilate asked. ‘We have no king but Caesar,’ the chief priests answered. ¹⁶Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified.” John 19:12-16

Our fear of losing control _____

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Tithes & Offerings: \$10,802

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