CROWNED NOT CONDEMNED

John 19:1-16

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Five ways Jesus saves us from ourselves: Even ...

I. WHEN WE CHOOSE OTHER _____

JOHN 18:39-40 NIV Do you want me to release 'the king of the Jews'?" 40 They shouted back, "No, not him! Give us **Barabbas!"** Now Barabbas had taken part in a rebellion.

A. Pilate gives crowd an _____: Good or evil? JOHN 3:19 NIV This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.

B. We often choose other "kings" because we love the

1 JOHN 2:15 NIV Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

C. Is Jesus "King" over _____ area of your life?

II. WHEN WE TREAT OTHERS _____

JOHN 19:1-3 NIV Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. 2 The soldiers twisted together a **crown** of thorns and put it on his head. They clothed him in a purple robe 3 and went up to him again and again, saying, "Hail, king of the Jews!" And they struck him in the face.

A. Treating ______ badly is treating ______ badly. MATTHEW 25:40 NIV The King will reply, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."

B. What ______ of kindness can you do this week? [

III. WHEN WE REFUSE TO SEE GOD IN OUR

JOHN 19:4-7 NIV Once more Pilate came out and said to the Jews, "Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that <u>I find no basis for a charge</u> <u>against him</u>." 5 When Jesus came out wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe, Pilate said to them, <u>"Here is the man!"</u> 6 As 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, <u>I find no basis for a</u> <u>charge against him</u>." 7 The Jews insisted, "We have a law, and according to that law he must die, because he claimed to be the <u>Son of God</u>."

A. Our can	blind us to God's	presence.
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B. Where have _____ seen God at work?

IV. WHEN WE REFUSE TO ACCEPT _____

JOHN 19:8-11 NIV When Pilate heard this, he was <u>even more afraid</u>, 9 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?" 11 Jesus 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."

A. We miss grace when we ______ others.

B. Who have you _____ unfairly?

V. WHEN WE FEAR PEOPLE MORE THAN _____

JOHN 19:12-16 NIV From 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." 13 When 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). 14 It was the day of Preparation of Passover Week, about the sixth hour. "Here is your king," Pilate said to the Jews. 15 But 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. 16 Finally Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified. So the soldiers took charge of Jesus.

A. Who or what do you _____ more than God?

VI. CONCLUSION: JESUS SAVES US FROM

A. On _____, Jesus was crowned not condemned.

B. At judgment, will ______ be crowned or condemned? JOHN 3:17-18 NIV For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. 18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.