



## IT'S HIS FAULT! – (PT. 2 of 2)

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**MATTHEW 27:12 NKJV – (12)** And while He was being accused by the chief priests and elders, *He answered nothing.*

The Jews who despised Jesus eventually got the Romans involved, trumping up charges against Him and demanding He be subjected to a painful, torturous death. The cold-hearted Romans despised Jesus as a common criminal, mocking, battering, spitting on, and flogging Him. Their mockery included dressing Christ in a purple robe, placing a crown of thorns on His head, and making a satirical show of giving Him honor. The “rejection” of Christ was not limited to those who did not believe in Him. At times, Jesus had large followings, but most of them eventually turned away.

Many others would not publicly announce their belief in Jesus and were thus secret disciples. He was betrayed by one of His closest. Even at the end, when Jesus was being arrested, His disciples all forsook Him and fled for their lives. Many people today still reject Jesus as their Savior and turn down His offer of eternal life (**John 3:16**). There are people who continue to despise the name of Jesus and seek to discredit what He has done. Yes, Jesus took responsibility for what was accused of Him. Though He didn't do those things but He took responsibility. The Roman governor, who can see clearly that Jesus is innocent will soon ignore justice for the sake of stability.

Since being arrested His most common response to accusations and abuse *has been silence*. He does not resist. He knows He is bound for the cross to die for the sins of humanity, and He is not trying to escape it. Yes, Jesus took the blame, though innocent and made a way out for you and me. Should you decide not to take the path He has provided. **“It's your fault!”**

**SCRIPTURE READING: ISAIAH 53:7**

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** Part 1 & 2, “Now that's love.”