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*On Trial*  
*Mark 15:1–15*  
*November 1, 2015*

Introduction:

I. Pilate: a ruler in bondage. Mark 15:1–5, 15

II. Barabbas: a condemned man set free. Mark 15:6–11

III. The Jews: in the grip of their father the devil. Mark 15:12–14; John 8:44

IV. Jesus: submitted to His Father, the suffering Servant. Mark 15:15; Isaiah 53:7; Hebrews 12:2

Questions for Reflection:

- *How is Pilate at the mercy of the world, the flesh, and the devil? What lessons should we take from this?*
- *How is Barabbas and his release a powerful illustration for us?*
- *What is the “gospel logic” that the spiritually lost fail to understand or appreciate?*
- *How might God be calling you to “deny yourself and take up your cross daily?”*