

RH Mount
On the Colors of Jesus robes
In
The Ridicule of the Lord Jesus Christ.

It was a rather exciting , and a rather intense time, you see, when the Lord Jesus Christ was here at the time of the crucifixion, there were a lot of people in the city., they came up for the Passover from all over the world. Now when you that this many people, way way over a million people, maybe 2-3 million, And when these people had come from all over the world, they were strong as far as a riot was concerned. So very early in the morning the Jews brought Jesus to Pilate asking for his crucifixion, Pilate, put yourself in his place for a moment, He was in a real tight spot. Caesarea is not too far from Jerusalem, and he had about three thousand troops there, the best we know. Even if he had 4000 troops available in Jerusalem, what could he do against a million rioting Jews? You couldn't do anything with that kind of a riot going on. They would have wiped out the Romans totally., and they knew that. So Pilate had to handle this situation very carefully. First of all he questioned Jesus. Now we learned an interesting side lite on this when we were in Israel. The copies of the eastern copies of Josephus are somewhat different than the copies we have. And in this copy it said that Jesus had at one time healed Pilate's wife of an illness. And this also may have entered into the picture. Also in Josephus, that maybe they had bribed Pilate to send him to his death. All these things are very involved. And one day as I was reading the Holy Spirit spoke to me very plainly, " You cannot say two different sentences at the same time" You can say one sentence at a time only. Now if the HS wrote 2 different sentences, you cant put them together and say "its just a different way of saying it. Because, if it is a quote, the man couldn't say them at the same time. You have to accept that either one of the gospel writers was not inspired or both statements were made at a different time... (See arrest and trial of Jesus)

Pilate started off trying to please the Jews, then he sees he gets into trouble. So he hits on a bright idea. Herod was in Jerusalem and he was tetrarch of Caesarea of Galilee. Now Pilate and Herod didn't like each other a bit, because Herod was trying to get Pilate put out of his job (from history) and had written to Rome and they were in opposition.

All of a sudden Pilate caught the idea that Jesus was from Galilee.. And if Herod is the tetrarch from Galilee and he is my enemy why don't I transfer the case to Herod? So he sent Jesus with his soldiers over to Herod.. Now it didn't work like he thought it would. He thought it would put Herod in the middle, But Herod had heard about Jesus, and he had never seen Jesus, and Herod is tickled to death. He's been wanting to ask Jesus to work some miracles for him and he thinks he is going to have some entertainment and heal people. Then he begins to think in his mind. After all Pilate's not such a bad guy after all. But when Jesus did not even answer Herod then **Luke 23: 11 And Herod and his soldiers set him at nought, and mocked him , and arraying him in gorgeous apparel sent him back to Pilate, And Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that very day.** A white esthes.

Now what happened was this. They began to ridicule Jesus as a King. How do you ridicule a person as a King?

What do you need to make you believe He is a King? Well, obviously, a Kings Robe.. Now where are you going to get a kings robe? The only king there was Herod, so he took his white esthes, and we know He wore the white esthes as they were very wealthy Act 12:21 a royal esthes in Greek.. Acts 1 10 also the garment of heavenly beings..

So Herod thought, that poor Pilate up there, doesn't have 2 nickels to rub together. ,I'll sent him my esthes as a gift. He did not beat Jesus at all.

Here comes Jesus back with this gorgeous esthes (lets say worth \$50,000) gorgeous a shining white, What would you do if you were a second rate deputy of the Roman government, and you had a cheap garment, and along comes back your prisoner with Herod's own esthes over his back. You would accept it as a gift. But you would already wear a robe, you don't need that one too, So he would take off his old one and put on the new one and no doubt then he was the cock of the wall for awhile. He strutted up and down . Pilate and Herod became friends that day. These things are all woven in the scripture for the believer. Not for everyone. Don't cast your pearls before the swine....

So Pilate now is stuck, He has to make the decision. So we find that the next move Jesus has already been mocked as a king, and as a heavenly visitor, with the white robe whether the people knew it of not. The next mockery was by Pilates soldiers. In John 19 **Then Pilate there for took Jesus, and scourged him .2. And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and arrayed him in a purple garment, 3 and they came unto him and they said Hail King of the Jews, and they struck him with their hands.**

a himation purple. Pilate wore the purple himation as a deputy of Rome. We know that from History. Now the people began to shout "We have no King but Caesar, If you let this man go, you are not Caesar's friend. Pilot is in real trouble. He finally condemns the Lord Jesus to be crucified. He had on the purple robe but somebody heard he was a god, Matt 27:27 **Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the praetorium , and gathered unto him the whole band, 28 And they stripped him and put on him a scarlet robe .29 and the platted a crown of thorns and put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they kneeled down and mocked him , sayng, Hail, King of the Jews. 30. And the spat upon him and they took the reed and smote him on the head, 31 and when they had mocked him, they took off from him the robe, and put on him his garments , and led him away to crucify him"**

This scarlet robe, is the word clamus. Now in the idol system Hermes wore a scarlet Clamus. So they called him a God... some records read "and having clothed Him with a purple himation, also they put around Him a scarlet chlamus" (see Alford) Now they take these garments off and bring him to be crucified.

The same Greek words used in the N.T for purple and scarlet are used in the LXX for the colors of the veils in the Tabernacle.

Thus we see Jesus was mocked with a gorgeous white esthes, then a purple himation (the robe of the Caesars), then a scarlet clamus.(the cloak of the god Hermes). Since the tabernacle, the 1st veil, the 2nd veil, and the gate of the courts as well as the ephod of the high priest were all of the same material and colors, there is no reason to believe that they all do not represent Jesus. Some of the spiritual truths of the Tabernacle.