

THE JESUS STORY

The Orthodox Narratives of Early Followers

Mark 11:11—Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

Pilate & Caiaphas
Herod & Caiaphas

Temple:

Exclusion

The Poor

Prophetic Role (Jeremiah & Isaiah)

#JesusShutItDown

Luke 22:4—And Judas went to the chief priests and the officers of the temple police and discussed with them how he might betray Jesus.

Luke 22:52—Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders, who had come for him, “Am I leading a rebellion, that you have come with swords and clubs?”

Luke 23:12—That day Herod and Pilate became friends—before this they had been enemies.

Threat to the Status Quo

Matthew 27:51—At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split

Mark 15:38—The curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.

Luke 23:45—For the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two.

Luke 23:46—When he had said this, he breathed his last.

“That the world may be healed.” — John 3.17

All Texts Quoted from the NIV Unless Otherwise Noted

Luke 24:5-6—In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!

Acts 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 13

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Acts 5:30—The God of our ancestors raised Jesus from the dead—whom you killed by hanging him on a cross.

Acts 13:32-33—We tell you the good news: What God promised our ancestors he has fulfilled for us, their children, by raising up Jesus.

Present Rewrites

He’s Not Here!

The Heart of the Universe:

Arc of the Universe

Truth Crushed to the Ground

No Lie Can Live Forever

Truth Forever on the Scaffold

