Behold the Man... Then What?

Behold the Man #1 (John 19:1-11)

Nothing is more important than how we respond to the stimulus that is Jesus.



- I. Jesus was quite the stimulus for the people of His day... "Behold the Man!"
 - A. We see two responses to Jesus from people...
 - Presponse A He is an exterminable FOE.
 - A particularly disturbing blasphemer (Religious Leaders)
 - o A disturber of the peace (Romans)
 - ₱ Response B He is an expendable VICTIM.
 - o An odd but forgettable stranger (Pilate)
 - o A weak & unfortunate friend (Disciples)
 - B. It turns out both of these responses were false, wholly false & nothing but false.
 - C. We see one additional response made possible by divine inspiration after Jesus was raised...
 - → Response C He is THE Essential, Unique & Eternal LORD & SAVIOR.
- II. Jesus is quite the stimulus for people still today.

Between stimulus and response there is a space. In that space is our power to choose our response. In our response lies our growth and our freedom.

- Victor Frankl



Antonio Ciseri - Ecce Homo (Behold the Man) - 1871

Covenant Presbyterian Church of Reno, Nevada March 16, 2025

Service for The Lord's Day March 16, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Behold the man!" - John 19:5

We Gather as Followers of Jesus

Prelude

Nancy Tedford, piano

Greetings and Church Family News

Pastor Jay Hull

Call to Worship

Isaiah 53:1-6

Todd Rhoden

Leader: Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

People: For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground;

Leader: He had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him.

People: He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows & acquainted with grief; & as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, & we esteemed him not.

Leader: Surely he has borne our griefs & carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

People: But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;

Leader: Upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

People: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

We Worship Jesus, Son of Man, Son of God

*Songs of Praise

Jake Armer & the CPC Praise Band

"The Lion and the Lamb"

"Here I Am to Worship"

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*Time of Greeting

Children's Prayer Time

Katie Guerrero

Prayer of Confession, Word of Assurance & Gloria Patri (#734)

Time of Offering

Offertory Anthem

Covenant Choir

"At the Name of Jesus" - Berry

*Doxology (#731) & Prayer of Thanksgiving

God's Word Comforts & Challenges as We "Behold the Man"

*Hymn of Preparation "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" #247

Gospel Reading:

John 19:1-11 (p.905)

Message:

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(Behold the Man #1)

We Go Forth as Followers of Jesus

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

*Closing Hymn

"Man of Sorrows! What a Name"

#246



*Charge & Benediction

*Postlude

Nancy Tedford, organ

* indicates to stand if you are able