No Fault Found in Jesus

John 18:31-40
“We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to pay taxes to Caesar, saying that He Himself is Christ, a King.”

“Are You the King of the Jews” (v.33)

“I find no fault in Him at all.”
I. This is the Statement of a Firsthand Witness (V.38)

A. Pilate was there.

B. Pilate repeated His decision two more times.

- John 19:4: “Behold, I am bringing Him out to you, that you may know that I find no fault in Him.”

- V. 6 Therefore, when the chief priests and officers saw Him, they cried out, saying, “Crucify Him, crucify Him!” Pilate said to them, “You take Him and crucify Him, for I find no fault in Him.”
C. Pilate’s decree agrees with Scripture

1 Peter 2:21-24, For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:

22 “Who committed no sin, Nor was deceit found in His mouth”; 23 who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously;

24 who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness....

Hebrews 7:26 For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens;

...in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.

(Heb. 4:15)
II. This Statement is of One Who Was Searching for Faults

A. Pilate had frequent problems with the Jews.
B. He had been sent to Jerusalem to keep peace and order.
C. Pilate would like to have found a fault in Jesus, just to keep peace and order.
D. Some people are always looking for faults.
E. But this Mr. Negative, could find nothing wrong with Jesus.
III. This Statement is by One Who Rejected the Faultless One

A. Pilate found no fault in Jesus.

B. Pilate’s moving question: “What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?” *(Matthew 27:22)*

He left life’s greatest question to others.

Pilate tried to be neutral.
What will you do with this faultless One?
Can you find fault in the faultless One?
John 1:12

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name!