

What is Truth? fait accompli, Pilate the Post Modernist

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One of the most amusing or profound, depending on your pov, incidents in the New Testament is Pilate's questioning of Jesus at his trial. Pilate plainly wins out on the matter of Truth, as his now famous question is also the answer; that is why he didn't wait for Jesus to respond, he declared him innocent. It (what is truth?) was a fait accompli in Pilate's mind. However, the Jews would have their way, the rest is fiction or history for believers, notwithstanding that everything is a constructed fiction according to Post Modernists -- Pilate's point -- that believe that the decoder/interpreter creates reality, though an entirely subjective 'reality,' which of course reduces objectivity to subjective self-deception.

Pilate however, was far from the first to entertain notions of 'truth,' centuries before him Greek philosophers considered the matter and came up empty handed or with subjective views. And so truth is better left to an open question than to any attempt at definitions, as NONE exist that satisfy the question -- would Pilate have vindicated Jesus if he thought otherwise? Washing his hands of the entire affair also proves that he was a man of integrity and the matter was closed, nevertheless, Pilate was also a politician, and so goodbye Jesus at the hands of the Jews, not the Romans, which point is highlighted by the relevant verses, which survive to this day, and that in view of the massive editing of the New Testament by the Nicean council of hatcheters in order to accommodate centralised theocratic rule, as Constantine, or his mother, desired.

The Romans learned one crucial lesson from the Jews, it is far more expedient and economical to rule subjects by belief systems than by expensive violent military rule, though the lesson took nearly three centuries to realise. But better late than never as the Catholic church ruled Europe via its monarch proxies with an iron fist for fifteen centuries, and so belief, imposed or self-created works, ask the Jesuits if in doubt.

Now, a few may question my interpretation that Pilate's question ended the matter of Truth. Clearly, Jesus was no fool, as he would have known that had Pilate continued it would have been easy for him to tangle Jesus in subjective interpretations and perhaps expose him as a charlatan taking advantage of the uneducated and feeble minded. Nevertheless, Pilate refused to go there, perhaps he saw that Jesus understood and therefore declared him innocent of all charges against him. But again, that is clearly from a Roman NOT Judaic theological perspective, which elite priesthood had the Jewish masses by the balls and considered Jesus a threat to their rule, which he clearly was.

So off you go and weave your own subjective world/reality/values, but be careful when or if you attempt to impose your subjective values on others that have created their own, I have witnessed many feeble post modernists receive a punch in the mouth or complete disregard -- after all, group fantasies always prevail over personal or less shared fantasies/values, hence Jesus was successfully murdered by the Jewish priesthood, though Roman rulers declared him innocent. Hence the law is only on the side of the stronger more powerful party unless social impact/costs of another decision are more critical, which did not apply/save Jesus the radical leader, so how much do you think they would apply to you today?

Read John 18:38

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