"We Are Barabbas"
Matthew 27:16-26 (ref)

Matthew 27:16-27 (one slide??)
v16 "notorious prisoner", Mark 15 "murderer",
Luke 23 "rebel/murder", John 18 "robber", Acts
3 "murderer"
v17 Jews-Passover; Romans freed a prisoner
v18-19 Pilate and wife knew something was
wrong!
v20 words destroy!
v21 Pilate, pathetic figure
v22-24 Pilate succumbed to pressure
v25 deception!
v26-28 Jesus led to the Cross; Barabbas set free

Barabbas Is Us! John 3:16, Romans 5:8, Leviticus 16 (**refs**) What does a Christian look like? Composite/profile:

- -through the ages and around the world
- -values, lifestyle, behaviors, concerns in common?

Ephesians 4:1-3 "beseech you to walk worthy" -delivered from pagan worship, witchcraft, sexual immorality, sorcery

1 Corinthians 6:11 "such were some of you"

"Walk Worthy" Eph 4:1-3 (ref)

- -walk in the dignity and respect the calling demands
- -1 John 2:6 "walk as He walked", 1 Peter 2:21 "in His steps"

Walk Worthy Ephesians 4:1-3

- 1. Humility Eph 4:2 "all lowliness"
- -not insecurity, unproductive. lacking confidence
- -knowing you are Barabbas...set free by Jesus!

Isaiah 53:3 "Man of Sorrows"; Luke 18:9-14 (ref)

Luke 18:14 "he who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted"

2. Gentleness Eph 4:2b(ref)

def: "mild in temperment or behavior; kind, tender"

Titus 3:2 "gentle"

1 Cor4:21 "spirit of gentleness"

Gal 5:23 "fruit of the Spirit"

Phil 4:5 let gentleness be known"

1 Tim 6:11 "pursue gentleness"

1Thes 2:7 "gentle among you as a mother"

- 3. Patient Eph 4:2-3 "long suffering"
- -v2 "bearing with one another"
- v3 "endeavoring to keep the unity"

Pro 15:18 "wrathful man stirs up strife; he who is slow to anger allays contentions"

Romans 12:12 "patient in tribulation"

Lamentation 3:25-26, Ps 40:1, 1 Corinthians 13:4 **(refs)**

We Are Barabbas Called to Walk Worthy!!

- -lowly/humbly
- -gentleness
- -patience

"He who knew no sin became sin for us that we might become the righteousness of God in Him" 2 Corinthoans 5:21

Q: What have you become since you have become a Christian?