Behold the Man (John 19:5) Read 18: 28 -19: 16.

- Early AM: Jesus led away from Caiaphas to the Praetorium

- Pilate, what accusation do you bring against this man? 18: 29

- Pilate, "You judge Him according to your law." 18:31

- Pilate, "Are you the king of the Jews?" 18:33

- Jesus: "My Kingdom is not of this world" (18:36)

- Pilate: "I find no fault in Him" 18: 38

I. "Behold the Man" – Pilate and Rome

    A. Pilate is ruled and governed by fear (19:8,12)

    B. Pilate's Dilemma (18: 38, 19:4, 7, 12)

II. 'Behold the Man – the Chief Priests, Officers and the Jews

    A. The hatred of the Jews (18:40; 19:6, 7, 12, 15, 16)

    B. The Idolatry of the Jews (19: 7, 15 "*We have no King but Caesar*")

III. 'Behold Jesus' The True Man

    A. The prophetic words of Pilate: "Behold the Man!"

        Job 25: 4; Isa 41:4; 2 Cor 5: 21; Ps 22: 7; Isa 53: 5

    B. The crown of thorns (Gen 3: 18; 2 Cor 5:21b)

    C. The purple robe

Do Not Be Afraid (Revelation 1: 17, 18)

- John is in the Spirit on the Lord's Day (1:10)

- Heard the Lord's voice, sound of a loud trumpet.

- Jesus words to John: I Am the Alpha and the Onega

- John sees Jesus standing in the midst of 7 golden lampstands.

- John sees His countenance "*like the sun shining in its strength*" (16)

- John is *falls to the ground like one dead*, Jesus comforts him (17)

I. "Do Not Be Afraid" I Am the First and the Last (1: 17)

- Jesus touches His shoulder and comforts Him, "*Do not be afraid*"

1. Comforted by Jesus Words "I Am the First and the Last."

   a. They testify that Jesus is Indeed the Living God

      Isa 41: 4; 44:6; 48: 12.

   b. They testify that all things were made through Jesus and for Jesus

      Prov 8: 22- 31; Heb 2:2, 3.

II. "Do Not Be Afraid" I Am He Who Lives and was Dead (1:18)

1. Jesus' "lives" present tense

   1 John 1: 1, 2; John 1: 14; Heb 2: 14-16

2. Jesus "died" once and for all.

   Romans 6: 9

III. "Do Not Be Afraid" Behold I Am Alive Forever More

1. Alive forevermore

   Rev 4:10,11; 1 Cor 15: 45.

2. And I have the keys of hades and death.

   1 Cor 15: 56; Ps 68: 20