

## John 18:1-19:42

“Garden in that place”

skipped the whole Garden in Gethsemane prayer and struggle in the other Gospels.  
In John the trial of the garden took place in chapter 12 after the triumphant entry  
and before he met the visiting Greeks 12:27

soldiers fall back

actual or literary device - “I AM” is name of God - soldiers falling back shows Jesus’  
power and control over situation - has already said that he is in control “No man  
takes my life from me” and Matthew quoting Jesus as saying that he could call  
12000 angels to protect him if he wanted to.

“Not said anything in secret”

as opposed to later especially Gnostic gospels that claimed to contain such secret  
teachings.

“Peter’s denial”

was there a rooster in the city?

Mark tells us that this is before the cock crows twice.

The Romans blew a trumpet to signal for the changing of the guard or watches.  
The first cock crow was at midnight, so Peter’s denials started after midnight and  
second cock crow was at 3:00 am.  
(and it was illegal to hold trials at night)

early in the morning - they got started a lot earlier in the day than most of us do

“to eat the Passover”

either they calculated the Passover differently and hadn’t eaten it yet or they were  
concerned with the upcoming Feast of unleavened bread that lasted for seven days  
and was often referred to together with the Passover.

Or it could be a literary device since John has downplayed the last supper as a  
Passover meal and wanted to emphasize Jesus as being sacrificed as The Passover  
Lamb

what is truth? - according Jesus, He is, so Pilate was staring truth in the face but like  
most of the people he didn’t recognize it.

I find no fault in the man --- here is the man

Passover references - when Passover lambs were brought to priest, the priest would  
examine them and state that they found no fault in the lamb and present the lamb  
back with the phrase, “behold, the lamb”

And remember the earlier words of John the Baptist when he saw Jesus.  
also a Messianic reference to Zechariah 6:12-13

Pilate afraid of the son of God  
wife's dream  
Roman legends  
even more afraid (than before)  
he'd already been in trouble  
accused of not being a friend of Caesar

“about noon on the day before the Passover  
Day of Preparation of the Passover

Day of Preparation - technical term that referred to the day before the Passover Sabbath - Mark 15:42

sixth hour - Mark says 3rd hour

- some Church Fathers said that John's original manuscript also said the 3rd hour - they often used a letter for numbers and the one for 3rd and 6th look a lot alike.

There's other examples of this happening in other ancient documents.

They told time a lot more loosely than we did and a term like the third hour could cover several actual hours and so could the sixth hour. For more detailed information, we've got lots of commentaries and Biblical historical and apologetic books in the library and one whole book devoted to “Hard Sayings of the Bible.”

John doesn't give a precise time, just says about the 6th hour. The sixth hour might have stood out in his mind because that was when darkness fell on the land during the crucifixion for the next three hours even though he doesn't mention this detail in his Gospel.

Jesus bearing cross reminds us of Abraham having Isaac carry the wood for the fire of his own sacrifice

took place outside of the city - like red heifer and where sin offerings were taken

“That the Scriptures might be fulfilled

Psalm 22:18

Psalm 69:21

Deut. 21:23

Passover Lamb and Psalm 34:20

Psalm 22:16-17

Zechariah 12:10

Joseph and Nicodemus take the body to the new tomb that is identified in Matthew as belonging to Joseph

now it couldn't be used by Joseph or his family

Isaiah 52:13-15

Isaiah 53:1-12

Psalm 22:1-18