

§ 2.3 CUP AND THRONE (Mark's Passion Narrative)

A Triple Chiasm Around Jesus' Role and Identity

14.1-16.8

A woman anoints Jesus' body for burial	14.1-9
Judas offers to hand Jesus over to the authorities	14.10-11
Two disciples prepare the Passover meal	14.12-16
Jesus announces one will hand over the Son of Man	14.17-21
Bread = body; Cup = my blood of the Covenant	14.22-25
Jesus announces that all will desert him	14.26-31
Three disciples are to pray while he prays to his Father	14.32-42
Judas hands Jesus over to the authorities, all take flight	14.43-52
Jesus is taken to the High Priest;	14.53a
Jewish leaders assemble	14.53b
Peter follows at a distance	14.54a
The attendants (<i>hypēretai</i>) by the light	14.54b
Council members and false witnesses	14.55-59
High Priest	14.60-61
Jesus— Yhwh himself as the coming Son of Man	14.62
High Priest	14.63-64a
Council members and false witnesses	14.64b-65a
The attendants (<i>hypēretai</i>) receive him	14.65b
Peter's denials	14.66-72
Jewish leaders assemble;	15.1a
Jesus taken to Pilate .	15.1b
Pilate's question: Are you the king of the Jews?	15.2-5
Crowd rejects Jesus as King of the Jews	15.6-15
Soldiers mock Jesus as king of the Jews	15.16-20a
"And they crucify him"— as King of the Jews	15.20b-27
Bystanders, high priests mock Jesus as Israel's Messiah and King	15.29-32
Jesus dies, the veil is split	15.33-38
Centurion's reaction: Jesus was God's Son	15.39
Women observe Jesus' burial and come to anoint his body	15.40-16.1

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