

The Easter Fool

Pastor Carl Toti - March 31-April 1, 2018

1 Corinthians 2:8 (KJV)

8 Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

Our first candidate is _____?

Mark 15:15 (NLT)

15 So to pacify the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He ordered Jesus flogged with a lead-tipped whip, then turned him over to the Roman soldiers to be crucified.

Perhaps the _____ are the April fools?

Mark 14:50 (NKJV)

50 Then they all forsook Him and fled.

Perhaps the April fool is _____?

Matthew 26:64-65 (NLT)

64 Jesus replied, "You have said it. And in the future you will see the Son of Man seated in the place of power at God's right hand and coming on the clouds of heaven." 65 Then the high priest tore his clothing to show his horror and said, "Blasphemy! Why do we need other witnesses? You have all heard his blasphemy.

Perhaps the April fools are the _____?

Matthew 28:11-15 (NLT)

11 As the women were on their way, some of the guards went into the city and told the leading priests what had happened. 12 A meeting with the elders was called, and they decided to give the soldiers a large bribe. 13 They told the soldiers, "You must say, 'Jesus' disciples came during the night while we were sleeping, and they stole his body.' 14 If the governor hears about it, we'll stand up for you so you won't get in trouble." 15 So the guards accepted the bribe and said what they were told to say. Their story spread widely among the Jews, and they still tell it today.

Perhaps the April fool is _____?

Matthew 26:74 (NKJV)

74 Then he began to curse and swear, saying, "I do not know the Man!" Immediately a rooster crowed.

Perhaps the April fool is _____?

John 20:25 (NLT)

25 They told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he replied, "I won't believe it unless I see the nail wounds in his hands, put my fingers into them, and place my hand into the wound in his side."

**Answers: 1. Pontius Pilate 2. The Disciples 3. Annas, the High Priest
4. The Soldiers Guarding the Tomb 5. Peter 6. Thomas**