

# Two Messiahs? Mark 15:6-15

1.

Text -- Mark 15:6-15

*“Now at the feast he was accustomed to releasing one prisoner to them, whomever they requested. And there was one named Barabbas, [who was] chained with his fellow rebels; they had committed murder in the rebellion. Then the multitude, crying aloud, began to ask [him to do] just as he had always done for them. But Pilate answered them, saying, “Do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?” For he knew that the chief priests had handed Him over because of envy. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd, so that he should rather release Barabbas to them. Pilate answered and said to them again, “What then do you want me to do [with Him] whom you call the King of the Jews?” So they cried out again, “Crucify Him!” Then Pilate said to them, “Why, what evil has He done?” But they cried out all the more, “Crucify Him!” So Pilate, wanting to gratify the crowd, released Barabbas to them; and he delivered Jesus, after he had scourged [Him], to be crucified.”*

2.

Jesus takes the criminals place [v.6](#)

*“Now at the feast he was accustomed to releasing one prisoner to them, whomever they requested.”*

3.

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*“For He made Him who knew no sin [to be] sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.” [2 Cor. 5:21](#)*

4.

Humanities great deception, or, depravity...

5.

Who was this Barabbas? [v.7](#)

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6.

Who was this Barabbas?

1. It's Bar (son of) Abbas (the Father)

1. Historical texts tell us his given name was Yeshua

1. Putting it together — his name is literally: *Yeshua son of the father.*

7.

Two Goats and The Day of Atonement [Lev. 16:21](#)

1. In describing second goat — Word — two translations —

1. a phrase: **“the goat that goes away”** KJV **“scapegoat”**

2. other translation is a name: **“Azazel”**

8.

## Two Goats and The Day of Atonement

### 1. What or who is Azazel?

1. Bible only 4 times / [Lev.16](#)
2. The Mishnah (ca. ad 200; Yoma 6:6) records that the goat for Azazel was led to a cliff and pushed over, ensuring it would die and not return.
3. Recorded in The Dead Sea Scrolls and other ancient Jewish books,
4. book of Enoch - God says of Azazel: "THE WHOLE EARTH HAS BEEN CORRUPTED THROUGH THE WORKS THAT WERE TAUGHT BY AZAZEL: TO HIM ASCRIBE ALL SIN."

9.

### **Contrast**

Holiness / Evil

Holy Ground / Domain of Demons

Garden / Barren wasteland

Blessing / Cursing

Life / Death

10.

The Great Exchange [2 Cor.5:21](#), [John 1:12](#)

*"For He made Him who knew no sin [to be] sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."* [2 Cor 5:21](#)

*"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:"* [John 1:12](#)