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 **WHO KILLED JESUS?**

The initial charge against Jesus was 'blasphemy" according to Mark 14:61-64. This is Mark's account of Jesus' trial before the Jewish leaders. They didn't have the power to execute Jesus for His words. Thus, they bring Jesus to Pilate but the charge has to change because the Roman's didn't crucify people for laws breaking Jewish blasphemy laws. So, in chapter 15 of Mark Jesus is asked if He is a king and He answers, "It is as you say." Now the wheels can turn toward execution because Caesar would have no rivals nor uprisings. Jesus is executed for a charge He was not originally arrested for. In both these chapters Jesus offers information to that seals His fate.

However, Acts 4:23-28 makes it even clearer. Both Jews (Religious Authority) and Romans (Civil Authority) play a role in the death of Jesus. Jews and Gentiles (Humanity) all played a role in the death of Jesus ... You and me. But these verses in Acts show Herod and Pilate are "anointed" by God as well as the Jews and Gentiles. It was God's divine plan that Jesus was intent in carrying out. Jesus had confidence in the Father to fulfill His plan and purpose of providing salvation to all the world.

This means it is absolutely false to accuse any group of people for Jesus' death. The Bible makes it clear that it was the Father's (and Jesus') divine plan.