

Seven Trials of Jesus

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First, Annas, father-in-law of the High Priest, received this vicarious case,
Jesus was asked if He had said, "I'll rebuild the temple in three days."

This falls far short of blasphemy, and hardly is a crime,
So Jesus would have to face a rap, He chose to do it mime.

Second, Caiaphas, the High Priest called witnesses throughout the night,
Each one told a different story, none seemed to get it right.
Since evidence was not consistent, they could hardly take His life,
But they proceeded to rough Him up, just to add some strife.

Third, the Sanhedrin in the dark of night, heard the evidence so very thin,
Their claim, He was a blasphemer, but He had committed not a sin.
They asked the crowd who they should set free, Jesus or Barabbas,
They could hardly know it was His destiny, to rescue all of us.

Fourth, Pontius Pilate had heard of Jesus and wanted to see some wonder,
He knew that Elijah called fire from above accompanied by thunder.
It consumed the sacrifice, the wood, the rocks; it made the water vapor,
He found no fault, no cause for death, but added mockery to the caper.

Fifth, Harod, Governor of Galatia heard little evidence of truth,
He paraded Jesus before the crowd, adding a flogging booth.
He made an offer to the crowd, Jesus could go free,
The rabble had the crowd near riot, so this could never be.

Sixth, a retort from Pontius Pilate "I wash my hands of this indictment",
This man Jesus has no crime to bear, but do your will to quell excitement.
He surrendered Him to be scourged, to be hung upon that rugged cross,
Eternal gain for everyone, His clan saw only grieving loss.

Seventh, so this is the appointed time, each must render a verdict now,
Is Jesus who He says He is, or just another sacred cow.
Submit to Him, confess your sin; let Jesus your life turn around,
Your sins will be forgiven, sin becomes offensive and you'll be heaven bound.

*Yesterday is History, Tomorrow is a Mystery,
Today is a Gift God sent, That's why it's called "The Present".*