A script from



"Easter Reading Script"

by Eric Swink

What A reader's theater piece that uses Scripture to tell the story of Easter. (Themes:

Easter, Betrayal, Forgiveness, Resurrection, Ascension

Who Actor 1 Actor 2

Actor 3

When Present

Wear 3 notebooks or Bibles for the readers (**Props**)

Why See script

How Reading from a piece of paper has a tendency to be very boring, but it doesn't

have to be. Put a lot of energy in what you're doing – even though there isn't any movement – and read the Scripture as though that person is saying those

words right then.

Time Approximately 3-5 minutes

Three readers, either read from notebooks, or Bibles.

- **Reader 1**: "You know that after two days the Passover is coming and the Son of Man is to be handed over for crucifixion." Matthew 26:2
- **Reader 2**: As they were eating, He said, "Truly I say to you that one of you will betray Me." Matthew 26:21
- **Reader 3**: And Judas, who was betraying Him, said, "Surely it is not I, Rabbi? Jesus said to him, "You have said it yourself." Matthew 26:25
- **Reader 1**: And he came out and proceeded, as was His custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples also followed Him. Luke 22:39
- **Reader 2**: And being in agony He was praying very fervently; and his sweat became like drops of blood, falling down upon the ground. Luke 22:44
- **Reader 3**: "Get up, let us be going; behold, the one who betrays us is at hand!" Mark 14:42
- **Reader 1**: After coming, Judas immediately went to Him, saying "Rabbi!" and kissed Him. They laid hands on Him and seized Him. Mark 14: 44-45
- **Reader 2**: They led Jesus away to the high priest; and all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes gathered together. Mark 14:53
- **Reader 3**: Now the chief priests and the whole Council kept trying to obtain testimony against Jesus to put Him to death and they were not finding any. Mark 14:55
- **Reader 1**: Some began to spit at Him, and to blindfold Him, and to beat Him with their fists, and to say to Him, "Prophesy!" And the officers received him with slaps in the face. Mark 14: 65
- Reader 2: Now Jesus stood before Pilate, and Pilate questioned him, saying, "Are You the King of the Jews?" And Jesus said to him, "It is as you say."

 Matthew 27:11
- **Reader 3**: So when the people gathered together, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release to you? Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?"

 Matthew 27:17
- **Reader 1**: But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to ask him to release Barabbas for them instead. Mark 15:11
- **Reader 2**: Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said, "Crucify Him!" Matthew 27:22

