

A stylized graphic of a human head in profile, facing left. The head is filled with a light blue color, and a white cross is visible within the brain area. A winding path leads from the bottom of the head down to the neck. The background is a dark blue gradient.

*John 19:1-17*

# His Best Friend's Gospel

*Who is Your King?*









**PARTY TONIGHT FOR SUNDAY & NANCY VILLAGE**  
They didn't meet but Sukkreet Galt, Nancy Capasso's mother, is to talk ahead of a party earlier this week at the Village Gate. Sukkreet's mom, Judge Hortense Galt, and Nancy's ex-husband, Capasso, were present at the "Beas Meas" ceremony. Sukkreet is a former City of New York's former Deputy Mayor. Sukkreet's mother, Judge Hortense Galt, is a judge in the New York State Supreme Court. Sukkreet's mother, Judge Hortense Galt, is a judge in the New York State Supreme Court. Sukkreet's mother, Judge Hortense Galt, is a judge in the New York State Supreme Court.

# CRACK-CRAZED TEEN STABS MOM TO DEATH

By KIERAN CROWLEY

A Bronx teen desperate for cash to pay his crack dealer stabbed his mother to death and then stripped her body to make it look like an intruder had raped and killed her, police said yesterday.

"This is a new one on me — that someone would degrade their mother to that degree," said Sgt. Frank Viggiano of the LaSalle Avenue stationhouse.

Huwe Burton, 16, of Eastchester Road, was charged with second-degree murder and weapons possession in the Tuesday stabbing of his mother, Keniah, police said.

The teen had asked his mother for \$300, saying he needed it to buy a jacket.

The 16-year-old, nurse "didn't go for the story and he took a crack knife from the kitchen and stabbed her in the throat," Viggiano said.

"He was crack and owed money to a crack dealer," said the cop.

The detective said Burton "removed her underpants and tied a telephone cord around her wrists with the intent of misleading the police into thinking it was a rape homicide."

Neighbors said the teen — a sophomore at Evanston-Chloris HS — recently started hanging out with the "wrong crowd" in the



**HUWE BURTON**  
Faked rape-homicide.

family's Williamsbridge neighborhood.

"He started changing," said Eric Wallert, 21, a friend of the suspect.

"You'd see him and his eyes would be red. I guess that stuff must have messed him up."

Burton was kicked out of Cardinal Hayes HS last year for academic reasons and later enrolled in Evanston-Chloris, school officials said.

After the stabbing, Burton left for school at Evanston-Chloris. He returned home later in the day and told a downstairs neighbor his mother had been killed, police said.

"He came running down the stairs, and told my wife," said Emanuel Green, whose wife, Beverly, reported the killing to police.

"He said, 'I think my mother's dead.' He showed

## Addict mom beats & robs son

**PHILADELPHIA (AP)** — A mother addict beat her 16-year-old son with a pipe until he gave up the \$11 he had earned washing cars, police said.

The woman, Joanne Cipriani, 38, then left the house to buy more drugs.

The boy, Jeremiah, was taken to St. Christopher's Hospital for Children with head, leg and arm injuries.

Cipriani was arrested Thursday on charges including assault, robbery and theft.

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19 Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged him. <sup>2</sup> And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head and arrayed him in a purple robe. <sup>3</sup> They came up to him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” and struck him with their hands. <sup>4</sup> Pilate went out again and said to them, “See, I am bringing him out to you that you may know that I find no guilt in him.”

*John 19:1–17*

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<sup>5</sup> So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, “Behold the man!” <sup>6</sup> When the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, “Crucify him, crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no guilt in him.”





<sup>7</sup> The Jews answered him, “We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has made himself the Son of God.” <sup>8</sup> When Pilate heard this statement, he was even more afraid. <sup>9</sup> He entered his headquarters again and said to Jesus, “Where are you from?” But Jesus gave him no answer.



<sup>10</sup> So Pilate said to him, “You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to release you and authority to crucify you?” <sup>11</sup> Jesus answered him, “You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered me over to you has the greater sin.”





<sup>12</sup> From then on Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, “If you release this man, you are not Caesar’s friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar.” <sup>13</sup> So when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Stone Pavement, and in Aramaic Gabbatha.



<sup>14</sup> Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover. It was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, “Behold your King!”  
<sup>15</sup> They cried out, “Away with him, away with him, crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but Caesar.” <sup>16</sup> So he delivered him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus,





<sup>17</sup> and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called  
The Place of a Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha.

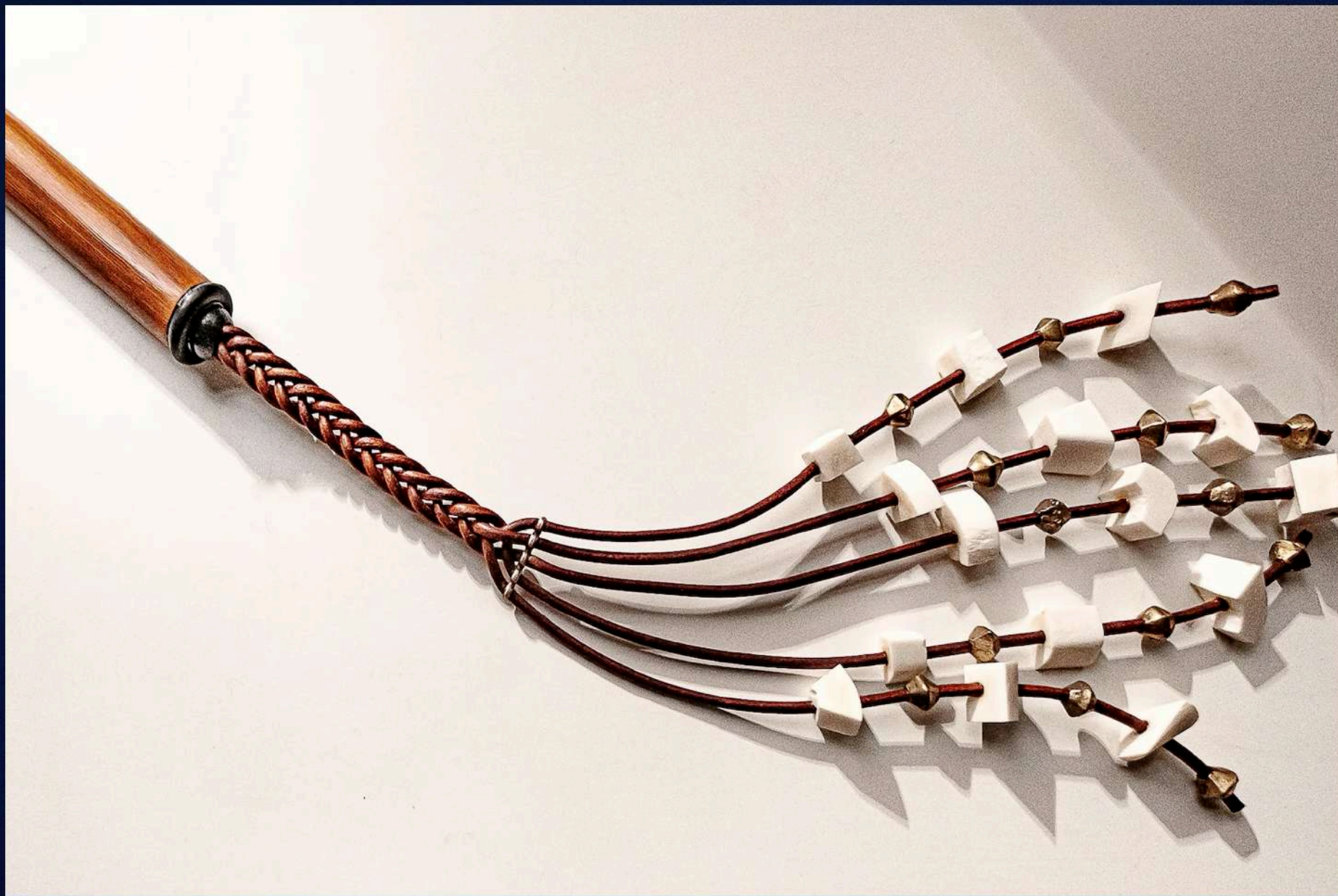


## *The Humiliation of An Innocent Man*

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## *Truth on Trial*

- The religious leaders have used mob mentality to force Pilate into a corner, and he is afraid!
- His focus is on showing his authority.
- Pilate is looking for a loophole. Does not want to be seen giving in to the demands of the Jews, to show he's in control, but without causing a full scale riot.
- It's become a referendum on truth and authority, and Pilate is losing on both fronts.
- But you cannot sit on the fence with Jesus — there are only two sides





## *Who is your King?*

- “Shall I crucify your King” — Thinks he’s found the loophole and is goading them.
- “We have no king but Ceasar” — Vote against their own principles and best interests. They choose a wicked and oppressive leader over their messiah.
- Though Jesus is entirely innocent and could have stopped it at any point he chose to surrender.
- Jesus’ focus wasn’t on personal vindication but achieving redemption for humanity.





