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This morning Pastor Chris White spoke about the trial of Jesus before Pilate. The people requested a prisoner named Barabbas, a murderer, set free instead of Jesus, who was completely innocent.

The name Barabbas means "son of abba" (son of the father or son of the teacher). During this time, Jewish men had names that identified them with their fathers. Simon Peter is called son of John for example. Barabbas, son of an unnamed father, committed a crime and was a murderer. Because Jesus died in his place Barabbas was set free.

We too are sinners and criminals who have broken God's Holy Law. Like Barabbas, we deserve to die, but Jesus died in our place. Jesus paid the price for our sins and we have been set free.

Jesus, who is the actual Son of The Father and Son of Man, died in the place of Barabbas, son of an unnamed father, freeing us from our sin and allowing us to be sons and daughters of God.

Take a minute to ponder the name Barabbas and the symbology of being a son of an unnamed father, meaning anyone, and thank the Lord for your salvation in Christ.