AUDITION SCRIPT – PILATE "Is This Not Enough?"

Underlined words = STRONG EMPHASIS

Part: Narrator (do not sign) When the morning was come, delivered him to be tried of Pontius Pilate the Roman governor.

Part: Pilate

(Spoken strongly) Ye have brought this man unto me, As one that perverteth the people: And behold, I have <u>examined</u> him before you, And I have found <u>no fault</u> in him No, <u>nothing</u> for which <u>death</u> is worthy! I will therefore <u>chastise</u> him and release him. Take him to be <u>scourged</u>! Now, <u>this is ENOUGH</u>!

Part: Choir: (do not sign) Behold the man! The Lamb of God! Is this not enough?

Part: Pilate

Enough! Enough!! Behold, is this not enough? Behold, the Man, the punishment He's borne, The cruel whip, the mocking scorn..

Parts: Accuser, False Accuser and Pilate overlap – follow Pilate as follows in bold Away with him!
His crimes have seen enough!
Away with him!
Why? What evil hath he done?
If thou let this man go,
Thou art no friend, but Caesar's foe.

Part: John They see His pain. They see Him suffer. And still they cry out for His blood with no compassion.

Part: Pilate

For the feast I must release one prisoner!

Part: John He bears it all.

Part: Pilate Whom shall I release then?

Part: John (Pilate will overlap after this first line)

Part: Pilate

What shall I do then with this Jesus?!

Part: Mary (Mother) Enough! Is this not enough? O Lord, my God, Show mercy on my Son! Has not Thy will inthis been done?

Part: Pilate

Speak now: Hast thou not had enough?

Part: Mary (Mother) Has not the bitter cup been emptied?

Part: Pilate

Art thou a King then? Tell me ...

Part: Mary (Mother) Is not this enough?

Part: Pilate

Knowest Thou not that I have power to crucify Thee? (strong end!) And by that same power can release Thee? (strong end!) And speakest Thou not unto me...?! (strong end!)

Parts: John, false witness, and Pilate overlap – *follow Pilate as follows*: *Part: Pilate*

What shall I do then with this Jesus? This Jesus ye call Christ? What evil hath He done...? Behold ... your King...! Shall I crucify your King.....?! (Pause) Enough. See ye to it.

(Walk away!)