

Holy Week Devotional Guide

Use this guide to aid in your journey through Holy Week. Whether you read all of the verses or pick and choose, think back to the week that Jesus and his disciples had and think about how this impacts your life now.

APRIL 5 – PALM SUNDAY

Matthew 21:1-17
Mark 11:1-11
Luke 19:28-48
John 12:12-36

Places — Road to Jerusalem, Temple in Jerusalem, Bethany

Question — On Palm Sunday, we remember that Jesus willingly went to Jerusalem knowing that he was on a journey toward the cross. What difficult journey are you on? What steps of obedience do you need to take?

APRIL 6 – MONDAY

Matthew 21:18-26:5
Mark 11:1-13:36
Luke 20:1-22:6
John 12:37-50

Places — Temple in Jerusalem, Bethany

Question — Today, we remember Jesus' teachings to his disciples, including the greatest command: to love God and our neighbors. How can we demonstrate love to God and our neighbors this Holy Week?

APRIL 7 – TUESDAY

Matthew - no recorded events
Mark - no recorded events
Luke 21:37-38; 22:39
John - no recorded events

Places — Temple in Jerusalem, Mount of Olives

Question — Today, we remember that it was Jesus' usual practice to be with his disciples for the purpose of teaching and prayer. How might we follow his example this Holy Week?

APRIL 8 – WEDNESDAY

Matthew 26:6-16
Mark 14:1-11
Luke - no recorded events
John - no recorded events

Places — home of Simon the Leper, Bethany

Question — Midweek we remember the beautiful example of sacrificial worship demonstrated by the woman who anointed Jesus. Can we offer something as a beautiful sacrifice to Jesus today?

APRIL 9 — MAUNDY THURSDAY

Matthew 16:17-75
Mark 14:12-72
Luke 22:7-65
John 13:18:27

Places — Upper Room, Garden of Gethsemane, Caiaphas' House

Question — It's Maundy Thursday. We're normally together on this day, but we still remember Judas' betrayal, the disciples' abandonment and Peter's denial. Are there ways we betray, abandon or deny Jesus?

APRIL 10 — GOOD FRIDAY

Matthew 17:1-66
Mark 15:1-47
Luke 22:66-23:56
John 18:28-19:42

Places — Caiaphas' House, Governor's Palace, Golgotha, Tomb

Question — With Good Friday upon us, we remember the sacrifice of Jesus on a cross. How might we express gratitude to Jesus?

APRIL 11 — SATURDAY

Matthew 27:62-66
Mark - no recorded events
Luke - no recorded events
John - no recorded events

Places — Governor's Palace

Question — Saturday is a day we don't often think about during Holy Week. The disciples experienced what they considered to be the silence of God in the midst of their fear. Consider our own need for faith to believe God is at work even when we can't see it.

APRIL 12 — EASTER SUNDAY

Matthew 28:1-15
Mark 16
Luke 24
John 20:1-29

Places — Tomb, Jerusalem

Question — Today is a celebration! We celebrate the resurrection of our Savior. Jesus brings peace ... hope ... love to us and sets us free. Where do we need one or all of these in our lives today?