

"A View of the Cross"

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Luke 19:28-40

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"Passion Week (also known as Holy Week) is the time from Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday (resurrection Sunday). Passion Week is so named because of the passion with which Jesus willingly went to the cross in order to pay for the sins of His people."

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Everyone can adjust their focus at Easter by understanding three different views of the cross:

1. **The Go-with-the-flow Crowd (Luke 19:37-38)-** They were chanting His praise and singing songs of worship to Him before the Cross.
2. **The Antagonist (Luke 19:39)-** Religious and political rulers who despised Jesus and suggested the cross.
3. **The Sincere Crowd (Luke 19:29)-** Those who chanted praises and worshipped Jesus even after the Cross.

The heart of a sincere follower of Christ is...

- C**ross-centered: Jesus did this for me! (Luke 18:31;
1 John 2:2)
- H**umble: I did not deserve God's grace and love.
(Romans 3:23; Ephesians 2:8-9)
- R**epentant: Turn from my sinful ways.
(Romans 10:9-10)
- I**mpressed: Changed and "marked" by Christ's
story. (Ephesians 1:13)
- S**erving: Set myself aside/sanctify myself.
(Romans 12:1)
- T**rusting: My hope is in Christ Jesus alone.
(Romans 8:28;
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; John 14:1-4)

Two Questions:

1. Which section of Scripture will you use this week to read and meditate on?
2. What else can you and your family do this week to adjust your focus at Easter?

Chronology of Passion Week

John MacArthur, *The MacArthur Bible Commentary*,
Thomas Nelson, Nashville, Tennessee, 2005, pp. 1321, 1329.

Sunday	The triumphal entry into Jerusalem.	Mark 11:1-11
Monday	Cleanses the temple in Jerusalem.	Mark 11:15-19
Tuesday	The Sanhedrin challenges Jesus' authority.	Luke 20:1-8
	Jesus foretells the destruction of Jerusalem and His Second Coming.	Matthew 24, 25
	Mary anoints Jesus at Bethany.	John 12:2-8
Wednesday	Judas bargains with the Jewish rulers to betray Jesus.	Luke 22:3-6
Thursday	Jesus eats the Passover meal with His disciples...	John 13:1-30
	...and institutes the Memorial Supper.	Mark 14:22-26
	Prays in Gethsemane for His disciples.	John 17
Friday	His betrayal and arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane.	Mark 14:43-50
	Jesus questioned by Annas, the former high priest.	John 18:12-24
	Condemned by Caiaphas and the Sanhedrin.	Mark 14:53-65
	Peter denies Jesus three times.	John 18:15-27
	Jesus is formally condemned by the Sanhedrin.	Luke 22:66-71
	Judas commits suicide.	Matthew 27:3-10
	The trial of Jesus before Pilate.	Luke 23:1-5
	Jesus' appearance before Herod Antipas.	Luke 23:6-12
	Formally sentenced to death by Pilate.	Luke 23:13-25

Friday– continued	Jesus is mocked and crucified between two thieves.	Mark 15:16-27
	The veil of the temple is torn as Jesus dies.	Mathew 27:51-56
	His burial in the tomb of Joseph of Arimathea.	John 19:31-42
Saturday	The women rested on the Sabbath.	Luke 23:56
Sunday	Jesus is raised from the dead.	Luke 24:1-9

Passion Week is described in the chapters of:

Matthew 21-27
Luke 19-23

Mark 11-15
John 12-19