

“The King Who Died to Set Us Free”

Palm Sunday

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I. Jesus the King

A. His Identity

1. **God** and **Creator** (John 1:1-3, 14; Colossians 1:15-17; Hebrews 1:1-3a)
2. **King of Kings** and **Lord of Lords** (Revelation 19:11-16)
3. The promised King of **Israel** and of all **nations** who will reign forever (Genesis 12:1-3; 17:6; 49:10-11; 2 Samuel 7:16; Isaiah 9:6-7; Matthew 1:1-17; Revelation 11:15)

II. How and Why the King came

- A. He came humbly to show He was the **Messiah** (Matthew 21:1-11; Zechariah 9:9)
- B. He came humbly to show His **purpose** (Isaiah 52:13-15; 53:1-12; Matthew 1:21; 20:28; Philippians 2:5-11; Hebrews 2:9-10)

III. How the King sets us Free

*** Through faith in Jesus alone we are:**

- A. Free from **sin**.
- B. Free from God's **wrath**.
- C. Free to live for **God**.
- D. Free to enjoy God **forever**.

Chronology of Passion Week

Taken from: 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

Friday-continued	Jesus' appearance before Herod Antipas.	Luke 23:6-12
	Formally sentenced to death by Pilate.	Luke 23:13-25
	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:

Matthew 21-27	Mark 11-15
Luke 19-23	John 12-19

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 in preparation for Easter?

Communion

What is it?

Communion is a visible representation of the Good News of the death of Christ for our sins. It reminds us of Christ's death and the glorious hope of His return. The Bread and Wine symbolize Christ's body and blood.

Who can participate?

All who are trusting in Jesus Christ and Him alone for their forgiveness of sins are welcome to participate, regardless of your church affiliation.

If this is not a step you have taken, here is the path to becoming a Christian...

- Romans 3:23 Admit you are a sinner.
- Romans 6:23 Recognize the penalty for our sin is death.
- Romans 5:8 Jesus Christ died for you.
- Romans 10:9,10 To be forgiven for our sin, we must believe and confess that Jesus was God who died for our sins and He is Lord.
- John 14:6 Salvation comes through Jesus Christ and Him alone.

How will we be served?

Ushers will serve you both the bread and cup while you are seated. Wait to partake of the element until the pastor leading the service indicates that it is time to partake.

