

OVER THE NEXT WEEK Christians all around the world will be thinking about this very event. Here's how His final week is recorded. **I CHALLENGE YOU TO READ THE RELEVANT PIECE OF THE STORY EACH DAY THIS WEEK.** PERHAPS YOU CAN GET YOUR WHOLE FAMILY INVOLVED. **COLOUR THE PICTURE AND TICK THE BOX AS YOU GO ALONG.** You can choose which book you want to read the story in, or you could read them all!

FRIDAY: (John 12:1) Jesus arrives in BETHANY six days before the Passover to spend time with his friends Mary, Martha and Lazarus. While there, Mary anointed his feet with costly perfume as an act of humility. This tender expression indicated Mary's devotion to Jesus and her willingness to serve him.



SATURDAY: Sabbath - This day is not mentioned in the gospels, but it was the Sabbath, which Jesus would have spent with his friends, as he was accustomed to doing.

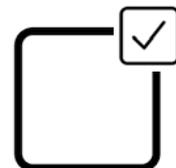


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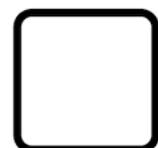
SUNDAY: Today is known as **PALM SUNDAY**. On the first day of the week, Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, fulfilling an ancient prophecy (Zechariah 9:9). The crowd welcomed him with **"HOSANNA"** and the words of PSALM 118:25-26, and this was the people claiming that Jesus was the Messiah, the coming King of Israel.

Read this part of the story in:
MATTHEW 21 : 1 – 11 OR
MARK 11 : 1 – 11 OR
LUKE 19 : 28 - 44 OR
JOHN 12 : 12 - 19



MONDAY: CLEARING THE TEMPLE:
The next day Jesus returned to the temple and found the court of the Gentiles full of traders and money changers making a large profit as they gave out Jewish coins in exchange for "pagan" money. Jesus drove them out and overturned their tables!

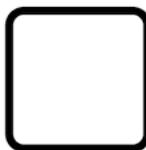
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MATTHEW 21 : 10 – 17 OR
MARK 11 : 15 – 18 OR
LUKE 19 : 45 - 48





TUESDAY:

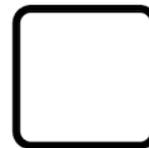
DAY OF CONTROVERSY AND PARABLES: Jesus started the day in Jerusalem and was having to evade the traps set by the priests. He then went to the MOUNT OF OLIVES which overlooked Jerusalem. Here he taught in parables and warned the people against the Pharisees. He predicted the destruction of Herod's great temple and told his disciples about the future events, including his own return.



Read this part of the story in:
MATTHEW 21 : 23 – 24 : 51 OR
MARK 11 : 27 – 13 : 37 OR
LUKE 20 : 1 – 21 : 36

WEDNESDAY:

DAY OF REST: The bible doesn't mention this day, but the counting of the days (**MARK 14 : 1 AND JOHN 12 : 1**) seems to indicate that there was another day but there is nothing recorded about this day... I wonder what Jesus was doing?

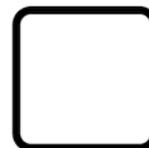


THURSDAY:

PASSOVER LAST SUPPER: IN AN UPPER ROOM JESUS PREPARED BOTH HIMSELF AND HIS DISCIPLES FOR HIS DEATH. HE GAVE THE PASSOVER MEAL A NEW MEANING. THE LOAF OF BREAD REPRESENTED HIS BODY THAT WOULD SOON BE SACRIFICED AND THE CUP OF WINE HIS BLOOD SHED TO WASH AWAY OUR SIN. (WE STILL REMEMBER THIS TODAY, WE CALL IT COMMUNION.) AFTER SINGING A HYMN THEY WENT TO THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE, WHERE JESUS PRAYED IN GREAT PAIN, KNOWING WHAT LAY AHEAD FOR HIM



READ THIS PART OF THE STORY IN:
MATTHEW 26 : 17 – 30 OR
MARK 14 : 12 – 26 OR
LUKE 22 : 7 – 23 OR
JOHN 13 : 1 - 30

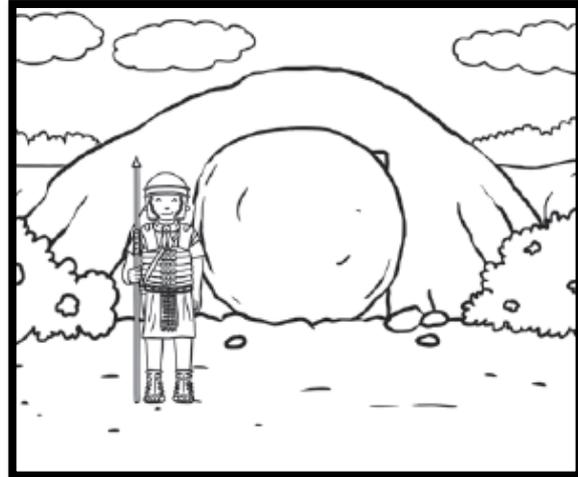
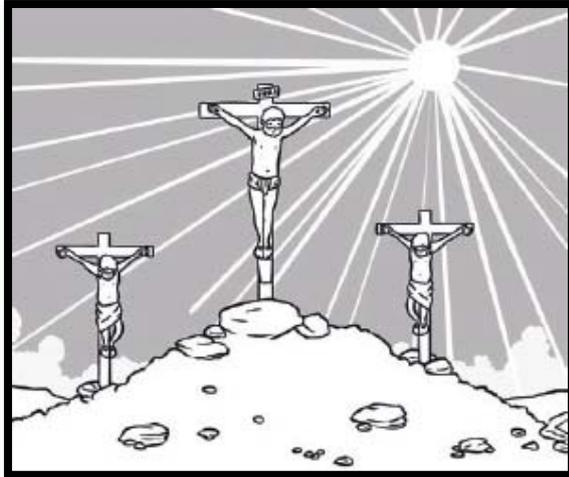
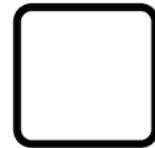


ASK YOUR PARENTS ABOUT COMMUNION, AND PERHAPS YOU CAN HAVE COMMUNION TOGETHER AS A FAMILY.

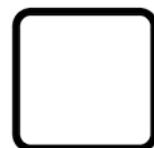
FRIDAY: CRUCIFIXION: We call this day “GOOD FRIDAY”, but it is certainly the darkest day this planet has ever seen! Following the betrayal, arrest, desertion, false trial, denial, condemnation, beatings and mockery, Jesus was required to carry his cross to “THE PLACE OF THE SKULL” where he was crucified with two other prisoners.

Jesus’ body was placed in the tomb before 6:00 PM on Friday night, when the Sabbath began and all work stopped, and it lay in the tomb throughout the Sabbath.

Read this part of the story in:
MATTHEW 27 : 1 – 66 OR
MARK 15 : 1 – 47 OR
LUKE 22 : 66 – 23 : 56 OR
JOHN 18 : 28 – 19 : 37

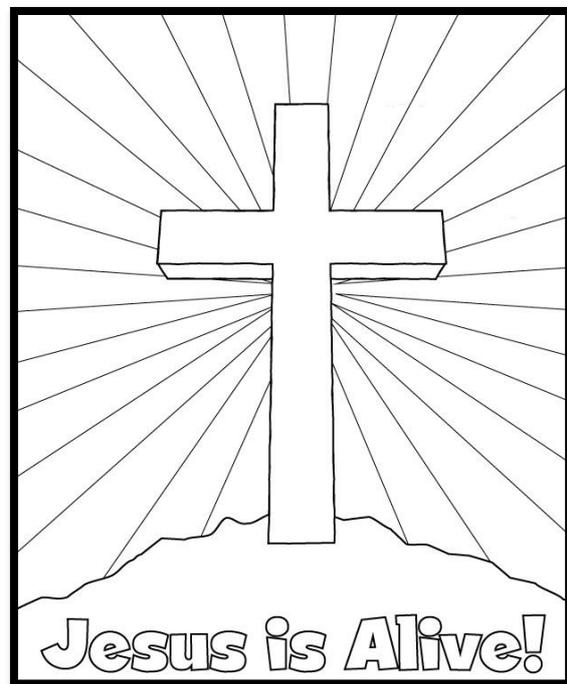
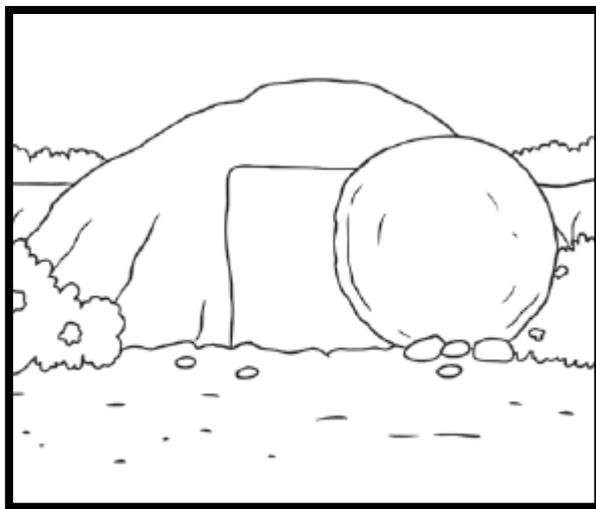
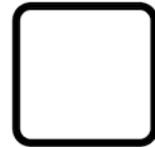


SATURDAY: SABBATH – a day of rest, so nothing happened on this day. Although I’m sure it was a very dark day. The memories of the day before, mixed with the memories of who Jesus was and what he’d done must have left the people feeling very confused.



SUNDAY: BY FAR, THE GREATEST DAY IN HISTORY!!! THE RESURRECTION - Early in the morning, women went to the tomb to embalm Jesus' body properly, but found that the stone closing the tomb's entrance had been rolled back. An Angel told them that Jesus was ALIVE and gave them a message. Jesus appeared to Mary Magdalene in the garden, to Peter, to two disciples on the road to Emmaus, and later that day to all his disciples (except for Thomas). His resurrection was established as a FACT by so many eye-witnesses.

Read this part of the story in:
MATTHEW 28 : 1 – 13 OR
MARK 16 : 1 – 20 OR
LUKE 24 : 1 – 49 OR
JOHN 20 : 1 – 31



So, that's how it happened!

How does it make you feel? What's your response? Can you draw or write a prayer response:

