

Easter Week

FAMILY GUIDE



Sunday: The King is Here!

Read about it: Luke 19:28-40

Talk about it: Passover week was beginning, and Jesus was heading to Jerusalem to fulfill the rescue mission he was sent to accomplish.

- What was the mission Jesus was sent to do?
- What do you remember about the first Passover in Exodus 12? How does it remind you of what Jesus is doing?
- Why was Jesus the only one who could carry out this mission?

Family Activity: Paint the Praises

In verse 40, Jesus said if his disciples didn't praise him, the stones would praise him. Jesus deserves our praise. Gather rocks and paint praises on them such as "Hosanna!", "Blessed is He!", and "Praise the Lord!"

Tuesday: Tell me a Story

Read about it: Luke 20:9-19

Talk about it: In these verses, Jesus tells a parable to the chief priests, scribes and elders.

- In verse 13, who does the son represent?
- In verse 14, who do the tenants represent and why would they want to kill the son?
- In verse 16, who do the others represent?

Thursday: A New Commandment is Given

Read About it: John 13:1-38, 14:1-31

Talk about it: In these verses, Jesus establishes a new commandment as well as the Lord Supper.

- What act of service did Jesus do for the disciples and why was it important?
- What was the new commandment that Jesus gave the disciples?

Family Activity: In Chapter 13, Jesus performs a great act of service for his disciples and tells them to do the same. Pick some ways you can serve your neighbors. Invite a neighbor over to dinner, help them in the yard or bake them cookies.

Saturday: A Day of Rest

Read about it: Luke 23:56.

Talk about it: In this verse we are told that the female followers of Jesus observed the sabbath and rested.

- What do you think his followers must've been thinking or feeling as the reality of Jesus's death set in?

Family Activity: Take this opportunity to join our church in viewing *The Apostle Paul* in the theater.

Monday: Clean Up Time!

Read about it: Luke 19:45-48; Mark 11:15-18

Talk about it: Jesus arrives at the temple and doesn't like what he sees. In the outer court of the temple people from all over the world would come to worship God. But, there were people selling animals for sacrifice and there was no room to worship.

- What was Jesus's reaction to what he saw and what did he do about it?
- What are some things in our lives that can keep us from worshiping and spending time with God?

Family Activity: The List!

Make a family list of things you can cut back on this week (and beyond) to put your focus on worshiping God.

Wednesday: Jesus is Betrayed

Read about it: Luke 22:1-6

Talk about it: In these verses, the Sanhedrin come up with a plan to kill Jesus and Judas agrees to betray him.

- Why do the chief priests and scribes want to kill Jesus?
- What does it mean that Satan entered into Judas?

Good Friday: It is Finished!

Read about it: Luke 22:39-23:55

Talk about it: Jesus's trial, beating, death and burial

- While on the cross, what were the words spoken to the people and what was said to the thief on the cross?
- What was the purpose of the curtain in the temple and why did it tear?
- Who asked for Jesus's body after his death and what was unusual about this request?

Sunday: He is Risen!

Read about it: Luke 24:1-12

Talk about it: Jesus is alive!

- Describe the events of the resurrection morning and what it must have been like to have been there.

Family Activity: Create or draw the resurrection scene and what it must've been like.