

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE

**PASSION WEEK
SELECTED SCRIPTURES**



PALM SUNDAY

THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

Read Luke 19:28-40

Discuss

Here Jesus was worshiped as King in the very same town that would condemn him to death just 5 days later.

- Why do you think Jesus came riding on a donkey? Is this the entrance of a king that you might expect?
- Read Zechariah 9:9-10 as a family. What does it say about Jesus that so many details of his life were foretold throughout the Old Testament?
- Read again Jesus' epic response in verse 40. He's so worthy of praise that if our voices ceased, the rest of creation would be forced to respond. List off, as a family, as many reasons you can think of as to why Jesus is so praise-worthy.

This was, in effect, literally fulfilled, when, upon men's reviling Christ upon the cross, instead of praising him, and his own disciples' sinking into a profound silence, the earth did quake and the rocks rent.

– Matthew Henry on verse 40.

Sing

Behold Our God

Written by Sovereign Grace Worship

Pray

Join in the chorus of the disciples from our passage and pray praise and gratitude to our triumphant king.

BEHOLD OUR GOD -SOVEREIGN GRACE WORSHIP

1. Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus:

Behold our God seated on His throne
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King! Nothing can compare
Come, let us adore Him!

2. Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One Who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

3. Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

MONDAY

JESUS CLEANSSES THE TEMPLE

Read Luke 19:45-48

Discuss

- Why do you think Jesus would drive out those who were selling goods in the temple?
- It was disturbing for Jesus to see the people use his house of prayer as a place of commerce for personal gain. What should have been happening in the temple that day?
- After driving out the merchants, Jesus restored the temple and started teaching daily. This angered the chief priests, scribes and principal men. Why did these men so often oppose Jesus?
- Though they wanted to destroy Jesus, their anger did not stop him from continuing to teach, nor did it deter the response of the crowds who were "hanging on his words." Why do you think the people were so captivated by him?

If the Lord were to come into this world today and here and now, He would not go to Washington and assault political powers. He would go to the churches, and He would attack the heretics and the hypocrites and the exploiters and the phonies and the fakes, and He would call for true worship of His Father. As long as things are wrong in the temple, then everything else is chaos.

- John MacArthur

Sing

Speak, O Lord

Written by Keith Getty and Stuart Townsend

Pray

For our church, that we would forsake anything that might stand in the way of our devotion.

SPEAK, O LORD -KEITH GETTY AND STUART TOWNSEND

1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us
All Your purposes, for Your glory.

2. Teach us Lord full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise
Cause our eyes to see,
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

3. Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, 'til your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

TUESDAY

CHALLENGING THE KING

Read Luke 20:1-8

Discuss

The contempt of the religious elite is apparent throughout the gospels. Here, they begin to pester Jesus with questions, asking by what authority he stands in the temple to preach. Little did they know, they were asking this of the King of Kings.

- What is so clever about Jesus' response?
- What does it mean to have authority and why is it important that Jesus speaks from a place of authority?
- Answer as a family the question the religious leaders asked, what authority does Jesus have and where does it come from?
- Is there an area of your lives in which you're tempted to forget or even challenge the reach of Jesus authority?

He has both the right and the ability to do everything He wills to do, and He wills to do what is in perfect harmony with the Father. - John MacArthur

Sing

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

Written by Edward Perronet and John Rippon

Pray

For those struggling with health concerns from our church this week.

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS NAME- PERRONET AND RIPPON

1. All hail the power of Jesus' name!

Let angels prostrate fall.

Bring forth the royal diadem,

and crown him Lord of all.

Bring forth the royal diadem,

and crown him Lord of all!

2. O seed of Israel's chosen race

now ransomed from the fall,

hail him who saves you by his grace,

and crown him Lord of all.

Hail him who saves you by his grace,

and crown him Lord of all!

3. Let every tongue and every tribe

responsive to his call,

to him all majesty ascribe,

and crown him Lord of all.

To him all majesty ascribe,

and crown him Lord of all!

4. Oh, that with all the sacred throng

we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song

and crown him Lord of all.

We'll join the everlasting song

And crown him Lord of all!

and crown him Lord of all.

WEDNESDAY

PREPARING THE PASSOVER

Read Exodus 12:21-23 and Luke 22:7-13

Discuss

- Why is it remarkable that the celebration of the Passover came the week that Jesus died?
- In Exodus, Moses was clear, the lambs to be sacrificed could have no marks- they had to be spottless. In what way does Jesus fulfill this for us?
- Discuss as a family what it means that Jesus is our Passover lamb

Just as the blood of those lambs caused the people of Israel to be spared from God's wrath, the Lamb of God redeemed His people from the penalty that was due for their sin. - R.C. Sproul

Sing

Jesus Paid it All

Written by Elvina Hall

Pray

For those you interact with who do not yet know Jesus as their Passover lamb.

JESUS PAID IT ALL

-ELVINA M. HALL

1. I hear the Savior say,
"Thy strength indeed is small,
Child of weakness, watch and pray,
Find in Me thine all in all."

Refrain:
Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow.

2. Lord, now indeed I find
Thy pow'r and Thine alone,
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone. [Refrain]

3. For nothing good have I
Where-by Thy grace to claim;
I'll wash my garments white
In the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb. [Refrain]

4. And when, before the throne,
I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save,"
My lips shall still repeat. [Refrain]

THURSDAY

THE BETRAYAL

Read Luke 22:47-53

Discuss

- The Messiah was betrayed by one of his own disciples. What warning should we find in the life of Judas who spent so much time around Jesus yet did not love him?
- Why do you think Jesus stopped the disciple who sought to defend his Lord by force in verse 50?
- In verse 53, the Lord refers to his arrest as the hour "when darkness reigns" (NIV). Yet, this hour of darkness is the reason that we know the light and live in undying hope. Can you think of other times God has used what was intended by men to be evil to bring about something good?

It was just the darkness of their minds that led them thus to hunt the only Saviour of sinners to his death. Satan himself would scarcely have had a hand in crucifying Christ had he understood that, by that very crucifixion, Christ would break the old serpent's head for ever.

- C.H. Spurgeon on verse 53.

Sing

Jesus! What a friend for Sinners

Written by J. Wilbur Chapman

Pray

Pick another family from Calvary's directory to pray for.

JESUS! WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS - J. WILBUR CHAPMAN

1. Jesus! what a Friend for sinners!
Jesus! lover of my soul;
friends may fail me, foes assail me,
he, my Savior, makes me whole.

Refrain:
Hallelujah! what a Savior!
Hallelujah, what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
he is with me to the end.

2. Jesus! what a strength in weakness!
Let me hide myself in him;
tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,
he, my strength, my vict'ry wins. [Refrain]

3. Jesus! what a help in sorrow!
While the billows o'er me roll,
even when my heart is breaking,
he, my comfort, helps my soul. [Refrain]

5. Jesus! I do now receive him,
more than all in him I find;
he hath granted me forgiveness,
I am his and he is mine. [Refrain]

GOOD FRIDAY THE CRUCIFIXION

Read Luke 23:32-49

Discuss

- This harrowing day, in which God's innocent son died the death of criminals, is now called Good Friday. Why?
- Why was one of the criminals who died beside Jesus promised a place in paradise in verse 43?
- The veil in the temple could be found in the innermost section- a place only certain priests were able to enter, where the presence of God was to dwell on earth. Why do you think Luke mentions that this curtain was torn in two during the crucifixion?

The tearing of the curtain was, if you like, a dramatic visual aide of the great truth that was being declared...Through Jesus, men and women may have direct access to God.

- Alistair Begg on verse 45

Sing

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Written by Isaac Watts

Pray

Offer thanksgiving and praise to our gracious Lord for his death on our behalf.

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDEROUS CROSS-ISAAC WATTS

1. When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God:
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.
3. See from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did ever such love and sorrow meet?
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
4. His dying crimson, like a robe,
Spreads o'er his body on the tree;
Then am I dead to all the globe,
And all the globe is dead to me.
5. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

SATURDAY INTO THE TOMB

Read Luke 23:50-56

Discuss

Joseph of Arimathea was considered an important man- he was wealthy and a member of the same council of men who called for Jesus' crucifixion. Luke is clear that Joseph stood against the decision of the council that day. Here, Luke explains that Joseph took it upon himself to give the Lord a proper burial.

- From clues in our passage, why would Joseph want to do this?
- It would be daunting to publicly identify with a crucified man in this way. In what ways can we follow this act of faithfulness?
- Read Isaiah 53:9. Like so much of Jesus' story, this moment was foretold in Isaiah. Why would God so often speak about events in and surrounding the life of Jesus by the mouths and pens of prophets?

God is far greater, far more eternal, far more sovereign, far more wonderful than anything this world may take from you.

- Matt Chandler

Sing

Hallelujah, What a Savior

Written by Philip P. Bliss

Pray

That as a church, we will have the same obedience as Joseph: a willingness to lose our reputations in order to serve Christ.

HALLELUJAH, WHAT A SAVIOR - PHILIP P. BLISS

1. "Man of Sorrows" what a name

For the Son of God who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim
Hallelujah, what a Savior
Hallelujah, what a Savior

2. Bearing shame and scoffing rude

In my place condemned He stood
Sealed my pardon with His blood
Hallelujah, what a Savior
Hallelujah, what a Savior

3. Guilty vile and helpless we

Spotless Lamb of God was He
Full atonement can it be
Hallelujah, what a Savior
Hallelujah, what a Savior

4. Lifted up was He to die

"It is finished!" was His cry
Now in heaven exalted high
Hallelujah, what a Savior
Hallelujah, what a Savior

5. When He comes, our glorious King

All His ransomed home to bring
Then anew this song we'll sing
Hallelujah, what a Savior