

Life of Jesus

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JESUS LAST WEEK

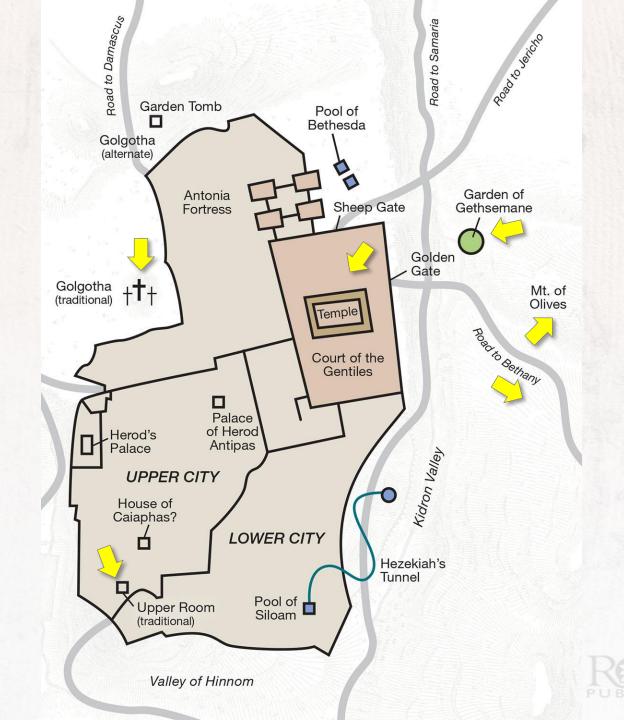
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KEY PLACES

Jerusalem Bethany Mount of Olives **Temple Courts** Upper Room Garden of Gethsemane Golgotha



On Sunday . . .

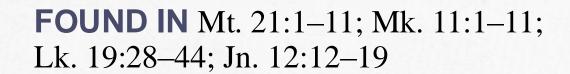
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Triumphal Entry: Jesus enters Jerusalem riding on a donkey.

The crowd cries, "Hosanna to the Son of David!"

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Jesus fulfills the prophecy of Zechariah 9:9.

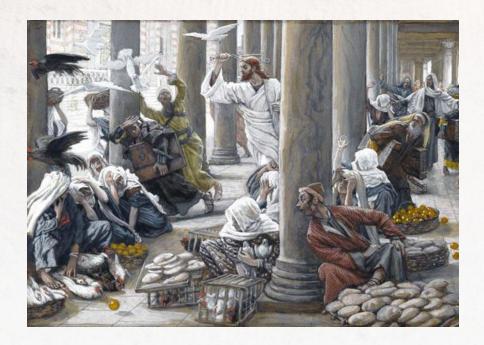




On Monday . . .

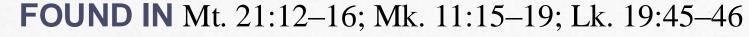
EVENT

Jesus cleanses the temple.



KEY IDEA

"You are making [my house] a den of robbers."





On Monday . . .

EVENT

Jesus again predicts his death.

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"What shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'?
No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour.
Father, glorify your name!"



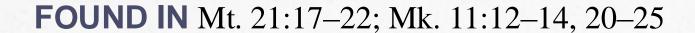
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A fig tree withers after Jesus had cursed it.

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Faith that can do this, can even move mountains too.





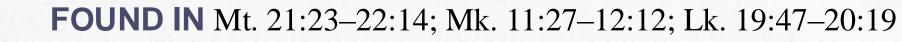


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In the temple courts, Jesus teaches and tells parables about entering God's kingdom.

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Many are invited, but few are chosen.



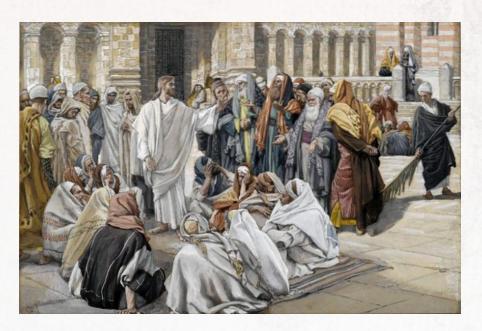


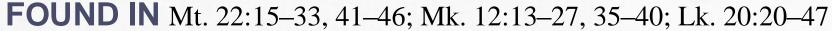
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The Pharisees try to challenge Jesus, but Jesus challenges them.

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Jesus defeats their attempts to trap him in his words.







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Jesus is asked which is the greatest commandment.



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"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength" and "love your neighbor as yourself."

FOUND IN Mt. 22:34–40; Mk. 12:28–34



EVENT

Jesus teaches about hypocrisy.

KEY IDEA

Seven woes upon the Pharisees and teachers of the law.



EVENT

A widow puts two mites (coins) into the temple treasury.

KEY IDEA

"This poor widow has put in more than all the others."



Lk. 21:1-4



Olivet Discourse: On the Mount of Olives, Jesus teaches about the last days.

KEY IDEA

"My words will never pass away."



FOUND IN Mt. 24:1–25:46; Mk. 13:1–37; Lk. 21:5–38

On Wednesday . . .



EVENT

Judas Iscariot agrees to betray Jesus for thirty pieces of silver.

KEY IDEA

The scheme to kill Jesus is about to happen.

FOUND IN Mt. 26:1–5, 14–16; Mk. 14:1–2, 10–11; Lk. 22:1–6

The gospels don't mention Wednesday specifically, but Luke 21:37–38 suggests that Jesus taught in the temple courts on this day. Judas and the religious leaders may have plotted together on this day.

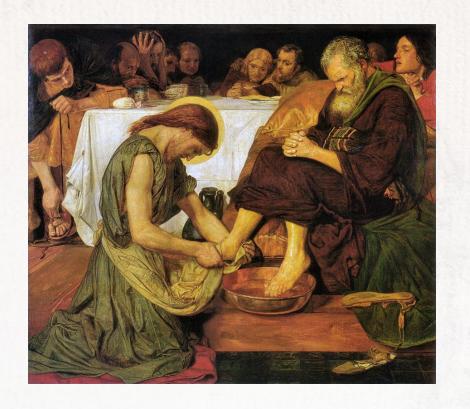


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Gathered together in the Upper Room, Jesus washes the disciples' feet.

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"Do as I have done for you."







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Last Supper:

In the Upper Room, Jesus shares a final meal with his disciples.

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Bread (body) is broken; cup (blood) of the new covenant.



Lk. 22:7–30; Jn. 13:18–30





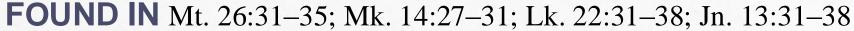
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Jesus predicts Peter's denials.

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"Before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times."







Jesus teaches about the true vine, the Holy Spirit, and the world.

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"I am the way and the truth and the life."





Jesus prays for believers for their unity and protection from evil.

KEY IDEA

"Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me."



EVENT

Jesus prays in the garden of Gethsemane.

KEY IDEA

"Yet not as I will, but as you will."



FOUND IN Mt. 26:36–46; Mk. 14:32–42; Lk. 22:39–46



EVENT

Judas betrays Jesus, and Jesus is arrested.

(after midnight)

FOUND IN Mt. 26:47–56; Mk. 14:43–52; Lk. 22:47–53; Jn. 18:1–12

KEY IDEA

"All this has taken place that the writings of the prophets might be fulfilled."





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Jesus stands trial before Annas, Caiaphas the high priest, and then the Sanhedrin.

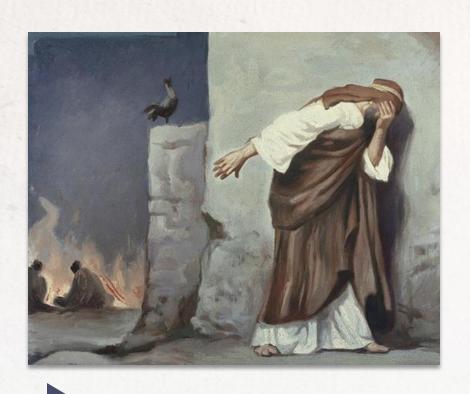
KEY IDEA

Jesus is accused of blasphemy.



FOUND IN Mt. 26:57–68; Mk. 14:53–65; Lk. 22:54; Jn. 18:13–14, 19–24





EVENT

Peter disowns Jesus three times, then weeps bitterly.

KEY IDEA

It happens just as Jesus had said.



Jn. 18:15–18, 25–27



EVENT

The Sanhedrin condemns Jesus.

(at daybreak)

KEY IDEA

The Jewish leaders handed him over to the Romans for sentencing, as Jesus had predicted (see Matt. 20:18–19).





EVENT

Judas returns the thirty pieces of silver and then hangs himself.

KEY IDEA

Judas was seized with remorse for his betrayal of Jesus.



EVENT

Jesus stands trial before Pilate, then before Herod Antipas who sends him back to Pilate.

Pilate sentences Jesus to death.

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The crowd cries, "Crucify him!"



FOUND IN Mt. 27:11–26;

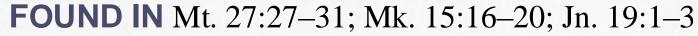
Mk. 15:2–15; Lk. 23:1–25; Jn. 18:28–19:16

Soldiers beat Jesus and put on him a crown of thorns and a robe.

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Jesus the Messiah is mocked as a false king.







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Jesus is taken to Golgotha, just outside the city, to be executed.

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Simon of Cyrene is forced to carry Jesus' cross.



Crucifixion:

- Jesus is crucified between two thieves.
- Soldiers divide up his clothes.
- Passersby hurl insults at him.

(nine in the morning)

KEY IDEA

Jesus is mocked and ridiculed even while dying on the cross.



FOUND IN Mt. 27:33–44; Mk. 15:22–32;

Lk. 23:33-38; Jn. 19:18-24

One thief believes in Jesus and asks to be remembered.

KEY IDEA

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

"Truly I tell you, today you will join me in paradise."



EVENT

Jesus entrusts his mother to John's care.

KEY IDEA

To Mary: "Woman, here is your son."

To John: "Here is your

mother."



EVENT

Jesus dies on the cross.

(three in the afternoon)



KEY IDEA

"Father, into your hands I commit my spirit."



Jn. 19:28–37



EVENT

Joseph of Arimathea places Jesus' body in his own tomb.

(before sunset)

FOUND IN Mt. 27:57–61; Mk. 15:42–47; Lk. 23:50–56; Jn. 19:38–42

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A large stone is rolled in front of the tomb.





On Saturday . . .

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Roman guards are posted at the tomb.

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Jesus' body could not be stolen.





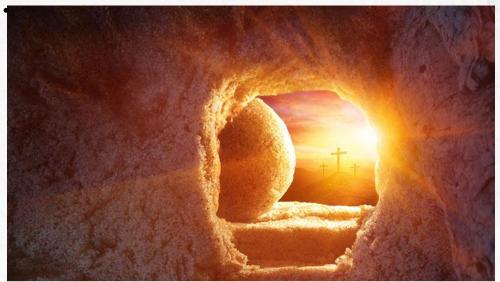


Resurrection:

Early in the morning, the women find the stone rolled away from the tomb, Jesus' body gone, and angels there.

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Angels: "He has risen, just as he said."



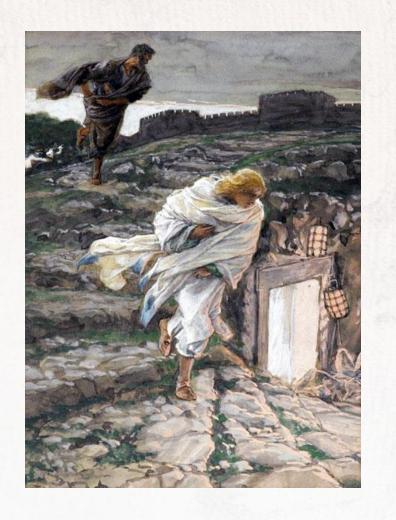
FOUND IN Mt. 28:1–8; Mk. 16:1–8; Lk. 24:1–8; Jn. 20:1–2

Upon hearing the news, Peter and John run to the empty tomb.

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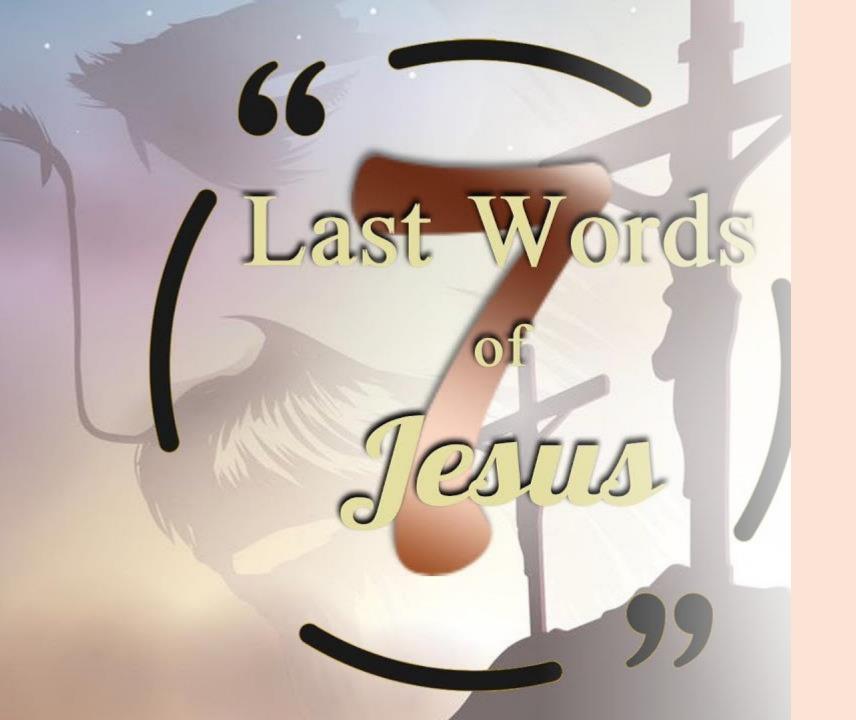
They don't fully understand what they see.











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