



HOLY WEEK *Day by Day*

Matthew, Mark, Luke, John ♦ RHYTHM STORY

On Sunday of Holy Week
Jesus came to town
riding on a donkey.
The crowds were all around.

“Hosanna,” they all shouted,
“Hosanna to our King.”
They waved their palms victoriously.
God’s praises they did sing.

On Monday of Holy Week,
when Jesus went to pray,
what he saw in the temple
caused him great dismay.

“This is a house of worship
and not a marketplace.
Get out, you moneychangers!”
He rid it of disgrace.

On Tuesday of Holy Week
Jesus shared God’s love.
He told the earthly rulers
that his kingdom was above.

He told stories to the people.
He taught lessons for their life.
He heard the rulers plotting.
The town was filled with strife.

On Wednesday of Holy Week
what did Jesus do?
Did he stay with His disciples?
Did he tell them what He knew?

Did he share the day with loved ones
in a place he often stayed?
Did he spend the day preparing
as he talked with God and prayed?

On Thursday of Holy Week
Jesus gathered with his friends.
He washed their feet and told them
that his life was near its end.

He took bread and wine and blessed it,
gave it to his friends to share.
But Judas, his disciple,
was filled with great despair.

Then Jesus and his close friends
went to a garden spot to pray.
When Jesus found them sleeping
He was filled with great dismay.

As he went to leave the garden
Judas met him with a kiss.
The soldiers grabbed him quickly.
What’s the meaning of all this?



They led Jesus to the high priest
where the scribes and elders met.
They tried to find a reason
to put the Lord to death.

On Friday of Holy Week
Jesus Christ was crucified.
The Son of God and Son of Man
hung on a cross and died.

On Saturday of Holy Week
Jesus' body was in a tomb.
His faithful friends and followers
were sad and filled with gloom.

On Sunday of the next week
Jesus' friends found a surprise.
A bright and glorious angel
appeared before their eyes.

"He is not here; he's risen,"
is what the angel said.
"You're looking in the wrong place.
He's living. He's not dead."

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HOLY WEEK *Events and Emotions*

Matthew 26:17-28:10; Mark 14:12-16:12;

Luke 22:7-24:12; John 12:20-20:18 ♦

ACTION STORY

When Jesus rode through Jerusalem, the disciples felt **EXCITED**.

[Gesture EXCITED through face and body movements]

When Jesus overthrew the moneychangers in the temple, the disciples felt **PUZZLED**.

[Gesture PUZZLED through face and body movements]

When Jesus celebrated the Passover in the upper room, the disciples felt **HAPPY**.

[Gesture HAPPY through face and body movements]

When Jesus served the Lord's Supper, the disciples felt **HONORED**.

[Gesture HONORED through face and body movements]

When Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane, the disciples felt **TIRED**.

[Gesture TIRED through face and body movements]

When Judas betrayed Jesus, the disciples felt **SCARED**.

[Gesture SCARED through face and body movements]

When the soldiers arrested Jesus, the disciples felt **ANGRY**.

[Gesture ANGRY through face and body movements]

When Pilate tried Jesus, the disciples felt **CONFUSED**.

[Gesture CONFUSED through face and body movements]

When the soldiers mocked Jesus, the disciples felt **ASHAMED**.

[Gesture ASHAMED through face and body movements]

When Jesus was nailed to the cross, the disciples felt **SAD**.

[Gesture SAD through face and body movements]

When Jesus died, the disciples felt **HOPELESS**.

[Gesture HOPELESS through face and body movements]

When Jesus was buried, the disciples felt **LONELY**.

[Gesture LONELY through face and body movements]

When Jesus was laid in the tomb, the disciples felt **PRAYERFUL**.

[Gesture PRAYERFUL through face and body movements]

When Jesus arose from the dead, the disciples felt **JOYFUL**.

[Gesture JOYFUL through face and body movements]

When the disciples remembered God's great gift of salvation through Jesus, the disciples felt **LOVED**.

[Gesture LOVED through face and body movements]