

EASTER *in* REAL TIME

Holy Week Reading Plan

Use this guide to lead you through a day-by-day breakdown of what Scripture tells us happened each day from Palm Sunday to Easter. Enter the scene and place yourself in the story as you observe and feel what happened during this sacred week, and reflect on how this impacts your life today.

PALM SUNDAY

Matthew 21:1-11

Mark 11:1-11 • Luke 19:28-44
John 12:9-19

ENTER THE SCENE

Close your eyes and imagine the road. Hear the sandals scraping. Feel dust in the air. Hear the crowd shouting. See the palms waving.

REFLECT

Where in my life do I praise God easily?
Where does my loyalty shift when things don't go as expected?

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MONDAY

Matthew 21:12-17

Mark 11:12-19 • Luke 19:45-48

ENTER THE SCENE

Imagine the sound of coins clattering. Tables tipping. Jesus' voice is strong and clear.

REFLECT

What in my inner life needs "cleared out" so the Holy Spirit can have more of me?

TUESDAY

Matthew 21:23-26:5

Mark 11:27-14:2 • Luke 20:1-22:2
John 12:37-50

ENTER THE SCENE

Imagine sitting in the road, listening. Notice Jesus' tone. Is it calm? Firm? Compassionate?

REFLECT

If I lived this teaching fully, what would change in my life?

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WEDNESDAY

Matthew 26:6-16

Mark 14:3-11 • Luke 22:3-6

ENTER THE SCENE

Feel the heaviness of secrecy. The quiet agreement. The weight of 30 pieces of silver.

REFLECT

Where do I struggle with divided loyalty?
What does true faithfulness look like for me?

THURSDAY

Luke 22:7-71

Matthew 26:17-75 • Mark 14:12-72
John 13:1-18:27

ENTER THE SCENE

Imagine the room, lit by oil lamps. Hear the quiet conversation. Feel the tenderness in Jesus' actions.

REFLECT

What does sacrificial love mean in my daily life?

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FRIDAY

John 18:28-19:42

Matthew 27:1-61 • Mark 15:1-47
Luke 23:1-56

ENTER THE SCENE

Stand at the foot of the cross in your imagination. Notice the sky. Hear the silence between the words.

REFLECT

How does Jesus' suffering impact my perspective of His love for me?

SATURDAY

Matthew 27:57-66

Mark 11:27-14:2 • Luke 20:1-22:2
John 12:37-50

ENTER THE SCENE

Imagine the sealed tomb. The stillness. The waiting. No resolution . . . yet.

REFLECT

Where in my life am I waiting without answers?
Can I trust God in the silence?

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EASTER SUNDAY

John 20:1-21:25

Matthew 28:1-20 • Mark 16:1-20
Luke 24:1-53

ENTER THE SCENE

Walk with Mary to the tomb. Feel the confusion shift to recognition as you hear your name spoken.

REFLECT

Where do I see God's power awakening what has felt dead in my life?

