

Major Events and Texts for Jesus' Last Week

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Holy Week

The summaries in Appendix D of Greater Love Hath No Man (pp. 289–303, [available online](#)) and [blog post](#) links list scriptural episodes in more detail and include ideas for music, art, and family activities. Video clips can be used as enrichment to provide historical, archaeological, and geographical context.

Text selections:

- [Collation of the KJV texts for Holy Week](#)
- [My translation for selections of Holy Week readings](#), organized by day

Palm Sunday

- Triumphal Entry, lamenting over Jerusalem, cleansing of the temple in Matthew and Luke (Mark 11:1–11; parallels Matt 21:1–17; Luke 19:28–48. John 12:12–19).
- See *Greater Love Hath No Man*, 34–51, 291–92; blog post [Palm Sunday](#).
 - **Video:** [BYU – Palm Sunday 2023](#).

Monday

- Cursing of the Fig Tree, cleansing of the temple in Mark, teaching in the temple (Mark 11:12–12:12; parallels Matt 21:18–22:14; Luke 19:47–20:19. John 12:20–36).
- See *Greater Love Hath No Man*, 52–67, 292–93; blog post [Monday](#).

Tuesday

- Lesson from the withered fig tree, Jesus teaches further in the temple and is questioned by his opponents, the widow's offering, Jesus' second lament over Jerusalem (Mark 11:20–12:44; parallels Matt 22:15–23:39; Luke 20:20–21:14).
- The Olivet Discourse (Mark 13:1–38; parallels Matt 24:1–25:46; Luke 21:5–38).
- Summary of Jesus' Teaching (Luke 21:37–38; John 12:37–50).
- See *Greater Love Hath No Man*, 68–87, 293–94; blog post [Tuesday](#).
 - **Video:** [Tuesday of Holy Week—The Olivet Discourse from Pater Noster](#).

Wednesday

- The Plot to Kill Jesus (Mark 14:1–2; parallels Matt 26:1–5; Luke 22:1–2).
- An Unnamed Woman Anoints Jesus (Mark 14:3–9; parallel Matt 26:6–13; here his head, Mary having anointed his feet the day before Palm Sunday in John 12:1–9).
- Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus (Mark 14:10–11; parallels Matt 26:14–16; Luke 22:3–6).
- See *Greater Love Hath No Man*, 52–101, 295; blog post [Wednesday](#).

Thursday

- The Last Supper (Mark 14:12–31; parallels Matt 26:17–35; Luke 22:7–38. John 13:1–14:31. Cf. 1 Cor 11:23–26)

- The Farewell Discourses (John 14:1–17:26)
- Jesus at Gethsemane (Mark 14:32–42; Matt 26:36–47; Luke 22:39–46; John 18:1)
 - Elder Bruce R. McConkie’s “[The Purifying Power of Gethsemane](#)” (April 1985)
 - Elder Jeffrey R. Holland’s [on-site testimony](#)
 - **Video clip:** [Description of Gethsemane](#).
 - Play or sing “[Gethsemane](#)” (no. 1009)
- Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus (Mark 14:43–52; parallels Matt 26:47–56; Luke 22:47–53. John 18:2–3)
- Jesus before the Jewish Authorities (Mark 14:43–65; parallels Matt 26:57–68; Luke 22:54–71. John 18–28)
- See *Greater Love Hath No Man*, 102–145, 296–97; blog post [Maundy Thursday](#).

Good Friday

- Jesus Tried and Abused (Mark 15:1–20; parallels Matt 27:1–31; Luke 23:1–25. John 18:29–19:16)
 - **Video:** [Trial of Jesus, Hidden Gate](#).
- Jesus’ Crucifixion and Death (Mark 15:21–41; parallels Matthew 27:32–56; Luke 23:26–49. John 19:17–37).
 - **Video:** [Skull Hill, also known as Gordon’s Calvary](#).
 - Good Friday Morning Service ([link to readers’ theater script](#))
- Burial of Jesus (Mark 15:42–47; parallels Matthew 27:57–66; Luke 23:50–56. John 19:38–42).
 - **Video:** [Burial of Jesus, what was his tomb like?](#)
- See *Greater Love Hath No Man*, 146–193, 297–300; blog post [Good Friday](#).

Saturday

- A Guard is Placed at the Tomb (Matthew 27:62–66)
- Darkness Prevails among the Nephites (3 Nephi 9–10)
- Jesus Goes to the Spirit World and Organizes His Work There (1 Peter 3:18–4:6; D&C 138)
- See *Greater Love Hath No Man*, 194–209, 300–301; blog post [Saturday](#).

Easter Sunday

- The Women and the Empty Tomb (Mark 16:1–8; parallels Matthew 28:1–10; Luke 24:1–11)
- Mary Magdalene, Peter, and the Beloved Disciple at the Tomb (Luke 24:12. John 20:1–10)
- Mary Magdalene and the Risen Lord (John 20:11–18; Mark 16:9–11)
 - **Video:** [The Garden Tomb](#).
- Two Disciples on the Road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13–35; Mark 16:12–13)
- First Appearances to the Disciples in Jerusalem (Luke 24:36–48; parallel Mark 16:14. John 20:20–25)
- See *Greater Love Hath No Man*, 210–237, 301–302; blog post [Easter or “Resurrection” Sunday](#).