

TRADITIONAL VIEW OF HOLY WEEK

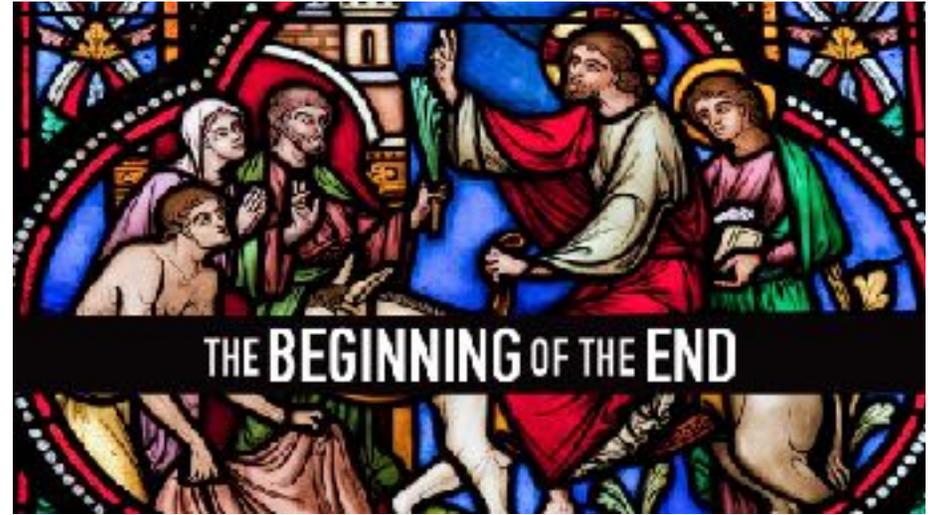
Sat	Palm Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Good Friday	Sat Sabbath	Easter Sun
	Rides into Jerusalem as king	Teach	Teach	Teach	Teach & Last Supper	Tried and Crucified	In the Tomb	Risen Appears to followers
Sabbath				Spy Wednesday	Maundy Thursday	Good Friday	Holy Saturday & Pass-over	

ANOTHER VIEW OF HOLY WEEK

Sat	Palm Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Good Friday	Sat Sabbath	Easter Sun
Rides into Jerusalem as king	Teach	Teach	Teach & Last Supper	Tried and Crucified	In the Tomb	In the Tomb	In the Tomb	Appears to followers
Sabbath				Day of Preparation	Pass-over	Feast of Unleavened Bread	Rises after 6 p.m.	

WALK THE TALK

1. Why did the disciples dispute greatness on this night? How do you feel about this and might you have participated?
2. Why can we be confident that our faith will stand?
3. Why did Jesus want Simon to know about his denial before it even happened?
4. What does Jesus' directions teach you about being a witness today?



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TWO LESSONS FOR THIS SERIES:

1. Even in the last HOURS of His life before the cross, Jesus was INTENTIONAL about fulfilling His Father's plan.
2. Although this is the beginning of the END of Jesus' life, it is also the end of many OTHER things that are VERY important.

THE DISPUTE AMONG THE DISCIPLES

Luke 22:22. . . But woe to that man who betrays him!" 23 They began to question among themselves which of them it might be who would do this.

Luke 22:24 A dispute also arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest. 25 Jesus said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors. 26 But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves. 27 For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. 28 You are those who have stood by me in my trials. 29 And I confer on you a kingdom, just as my Father conferred one on me, 30 so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

1. The issue of PRIDE and POSITION was a problem for the disciples throughout their WALK with Jesus.

Luke 9:46 An argument started among the disciples as to which of them would be the greatest. 47 Jesus, knowing their thoughts, took a little child and had him stand beside him. 48 Then he said to them, "Whoever welcomes this little child in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. For it is the one who is least among you all who is the greatest."

2. Although He would be DEAD in less than 24 hours, Jesus responded in KINDNESS and with more TEACHING.

3. Jesus explained that “the GENTILES” (the Romans?) like authority and TITLES like “Benefactors.”

4. But followers of Jesus should act DIFFERENTLY! And He gave several examples:

- The greatest should act like the “YOUNGEST.”
- The person who RULES should be the greatest servant.
- The person at the TABLE is not greater than the WAITER (servant) who serves him food.

5. Jesus then used HIMSELF as an example of this principle (and had EXHIBITED that concept by WASHING their feet earlier that evening).

John 13:5 After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

6. Jesus then REMINDED His disciples of a good QUALITY — they had STOOD BY Him in His trials (*although they would not do so in the next 24 hours*).

7. Jesus concluded His teaching by explaining to these followers that their “reward and POSITION” was coming in the FUTURE:

- He was conferring on them a KINGDOM.
- They would eat and drink at His TABLE in that Kingdom.
- They would SIT on twelve thrones, judging the 12 tribes.

THE DENIAL OF PETER FORETOLD

Luke 22:31 “Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift all of you as wheat. 32 But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.” 33 But he replied, “Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death.” 34 Jesus answered, “I tell you, Peter, before the rooster crows today, you will deny three times that you know me.”

1. Next, the Lord speaks SPECIFICALLY to Simon Peter, but calls him by his OLD NAME.

2. He explained that Satan DEMANDED to have ALL of the disciples to TEST their faithfulness. (ἐξαίτέω exaiteō)

3. Jesus promised that whatever their FAILURES would be in the coming days, their faith would not be CONQUERED, because Jesus had PRAYED. (Simon’s assignment —)

Heb. 7:25 Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

Rom. 8:34 . . . Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

4. Simon Peter felt that he WOULD not and COULD not fail, and PROMISED to go to prison or death with Jesus. He did NEITHER that weekend, but would do so years later.

5. Jesus wanted Peter to understand how DIFFICULT it was to fulfill such a PROMISE without the aid of the Holy Spirit. He gave him a SIGN that would remind Peter forever.

THE DIRECTIONS FOR HIS FOLLOWERS

Luke 22:35 Then Jesus asked them, “When I sent you without purse, bag or sandals, did you lack anything?” “Nothing,” they answered. 36 He said to them, “But now if you have a purse, take it, and also a bag; and if you don’t have a sword, sell your cloak and buy one. 37 It is written: ‘And he was numbered with the transgressors’; and I tell you that this must be fulfilled in me. Yes, what is written about me is reaching its fulfillment.” 38 The disciples said, “See, Lord, here are two swords.” “That’s enough!” he replied.

1. Before leaving the upper room, Jesus reminded the disciples of what being a WITNESS for Him had been like. They took NOTHING and they needed NOTHING.

2. “But NOW,” things CHANGE. The disciples would not be RECEIVED after the resurrection in the same way. They would need to take SUPPLIES and even PROTECT themselves.

3. Jesus explained that the Scriptures had FORETOLD the next few hours and that it was now being FULFILLED. (Messianic prophecy was ENDING!)

Is. 53:12 Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

4. The disciples showed Jesus two SWORDS, and He responded, “*That’s enough!*” There are two possibilities . . .

- Two swords are SUFFICIENT.
- Or that is ENOUGH of that kind of TALK!