

# Sunday

Put up picture of Triumphal Entry of Jesus.

Jesus walked from Bethany to Jerusalem. He rode into the city on a donkey, as a verse in the Old Testament said He would. People recognized Him as their King, shouting, “Hosanna,” and laying down palm leaves in front of the donkey to keep dust from getting on the Savior. Jesus visited the temple and then returned to Bethany.

Read Zechariah 9:9; Matthew 21:1–11; Mark 11:1–11.

## Easter Hosanna

1. The prophecies of long ago were now at last fulfilled,  
When Jesus, risen from the dead, to man Himself revealed.  
As he came down from heav’n above, white-robed and glorified,  
The people of the promised land received their Lord and cried:

*“Hosanna! Blessed be the name of the Most High God!*

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2. When Jesus Christ appeared to Nephites in the promised land,  
The righteous people saw his wounds and came to understand  
That he, once dead, was risen up as Savior, Lord, and King.

As they rejoiced, now we rejoice, and joyfully we sing:

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see Easter Hosanna in LDS Children’s songbook

Make palm leaves out of paper and reinact the Savior’s Triumphal Entry.

# Monday

Put up picture of Jesus cleansing the temple or healing the lame or blind.

Jesus saw people buying and selling things in the temple. Because He wanted the temple to be a "house of prayer," He made them leave. Then He healed people who were lame or blind. The jealous priests were angry with Him.

Read Matthew 21:12-17; Mark 11:15-19.

## The Miracle

Jesus walked upon the water.

He stilled the storm and calmed the angry sea.

With His hands He healed the leper.

He made the lame to walk, the blind to see.

He fed a thousand people with a loaf or two of bread.

And when the ruler's daughter died,

He raised her from the dead.

Jesus is a God of miracles;

Nothing is at all impossible to Him.

But I know this:

Of all His miracles, the most incredible must be

The miracle that rescues me!

Jesus bled and died to save me—

A price that I could never pay alone.

When He rose again, He gave me

The greatest gift the world has ever known!

Yes, I can be forgiven every time that I repent,

And someday He will lift me up to live with Him again.

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see The Miracle

Discuss: Is there a time you felt healed by Jesus?

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# Tuesday

Put up picture of Jesus teaching

Jesus taught people in the temple and on a nearby hill called the Mount of Olives. The priests plotted to kill Jesus. One of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, agreed to turn Jesus over to the priests in exchange for 30 silver coins.

Read Matthew 25:31-46; 26:14-16.

Discuss: How does your love of God help you to love and serve other people?

Look for people to serve. Buy food & donate it to the food pantry, clean up a neighbor's yard, etc.

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# Wednesday

The scriptures do not say what Jesus did on this day. He may have spent the day with His disciples. You could read the parable of the ten virgins, a story Jesus taught to His disciples to help them prepare for His Second Coming.

See Matthew 25:1-13.

Reenact the parable of the 10 Virgins.

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# Thursday

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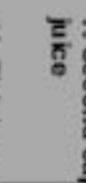
Hold a Passover Seder. Print out enough Passover Placemats for everyone in your party.

1. Light the candle- "Blessed are you, oh Lord our God, King of the Universe, who sanctified us by the blood of the Messiah and commanded us to be a light for the nations and gave us Jesus, our Messiah, the light of the world."

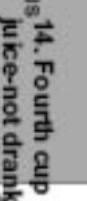
2. "We take up the Kiddush cup and proclaim the holiness of this Day of Deliverance"- everyone drinks



3. Wash hands with a bowl and pitcher -and/ or wash feet like Jesus



4. Dip the green vegetable in the salt water- representing the hyssop used to place the blood of the Passover lamb on the doorposts.



"Blessed are you, oh Lord our God, King of the Universe, Creator of the fruits of the earth."

5. Hold up the matzo and break the middle one in half (or three in a stack) Replace the one half in the middle and wrap the other half in a napkin (the afikomen - Greek meaning "He came") and hid it for the children to find later.



6. The youngest asks, "What does this holy day mean to you?"

7. Second glass (the cup of afikomen)- tell the story in Exodus 12, Sing the first Half of the Hallel ("Praise" psalm 113-115) and drink.



8. Wash hands with a bowl and pitcher



9a. Hold up the manor, bitter herb of parsley- "The Egyptians made the lives of our forefathers bitter. The bitter herb speaks of sorrow."



15. Sing Praise songs

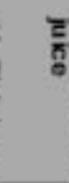


## The Passover with Jesus

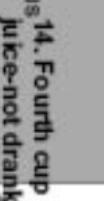
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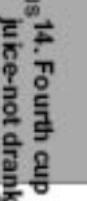
1. Candle



2. First cup juice



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9b. Hold up the charoseth - "This represents the mortar the Hebrews were forced to use building the Egyptian cities."

9c. The leader breaks the upper and middle matzah into pieces and dips one piece in the manor and one in the charoseth for each person (Jesus identifies Judas Jn.13:21-27)

9d. Mix the manor and charoseth and place them between the matzo and eat.

10. Dinner of Roasted Lamb, herbs and Matzah.

11. The Afikomen, The children find the hidden matzah and bring it to the leader.

Jesus gave thanks and broke the bread and said, "This is my body. It is given for you. Every time you eat it, do it in memory of me." give each a piece and eat.

12. Third cup of juice (The cup of redemption). This is my blood of the new covenant. It is poured out to forgive the sins of many." -everyone sips.

13. Looking for Elijah to announce the coming of the Lord. (Mal. 4:5, Mark 9:11-12, John the Baptist and/or one of the two witnesses)

14. Fourth cup- (The cup of acceptance or praise) "Here is what I tell you. From now on, I won't drink wine with you again until the day I drink it with you in my Father's kingdom." Mt. 26:29 -not drank.

15. Sing the second half of the Hallel Ps. 115-118 close with: "The Lord has remembered us. He will bless us. He will bless the house of Israel. He will bless those who revere the Lord, the small as well as the great." And they went to the Mount of Olives.

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Jesus was resurrected! He had risen from the tomb. An angel descended from heaven and rolled away the stone. Jesus told His disciples to teach and baptize others and promised to always be with them.

See Matthew 28.

Sing I Know That My Redeemer Lives

Discuss What feelings do you experience when you think about Jesus Christ's Resurrection?

Celebrate with a delicious meal. Make hot cross buns and eat them.