

Passion Week Chronology

Palm Sunday:

- Jesus enters triumphantly into Jerusalem on a colt
- Crowd throws palm leaves at his feet
- Jesus weeps over Jerusalem
- Jesus cleanses the Temple (2nd time)
- Jesus heals the lame and blind in the Temple

Monday:

- Jesus curses the barren fig tree: symbolic of a hypocrite where the outward 'show' is promising, but his life doesn't bring forth fruit
- Jesus walks into the Temple and is surrounded by the priests who want to know by what authority he overthrew the moneychangers

Tuesday:

- Last day of public teaching: parables and warnings to the Jewish nation for lack of receptivity
- Many want to seize him this hour
- Jesus questioned about giving tribute to Caesar and the widow with 7 husbands
- Jesus denounces Pharisee and scribes (8 woes)
- Jesus prophesies the destruction of the Temple
- Jesus goes to Mt. of Olives
- Jesus gives more parables on Mt. of Olives
- Jesus has his meal with Simon the Leper

- Woman anoints Jesus during the meal with Simon
- Judas meets with the priests and conspired against Jesus

Wednesday:

- Complete seclusion for Jesus
- no public teachings

Thursday:

- Synoptic Gospels say this is the Last Supper
- Beginning of Passover
- John says the Passover does not begin until Fri. night
- Jesus washes his disciples' feet
- Jesus names the betrayer, foretells Peter's denial
- Judas leaves the group
- Jesus begins farewell discourses John 13-17
- Jesus prays to God, for himself and his disciples, and then for us that we be with him where he is.
- Gethsamane: Jesus asks his disciples if they could not watch with him one hour.
- Jesus is betrayed with a kiss
- Jesus heals Malchus' ear.

6 Trials:

From **11:00 pm Thursday night until noon Friday**

#1 Annas (John 18:13, 19-23)

- 11:00 pm, Jesus meets alone with Annas

- Father-in-law to high priest, Caiaphas
- Jesus is struck by office

- Sends him to Herod because Jesus is from Galilee and that's Herod's territory

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#2 Caiaphas (Matt 26:59-68; Mark 14:55-65; John 18:24)

- 23 members of Sanhedrin
- Meet around 12:00 pm
- Illegal trial seeks false witnesses agst. Jesus
- Jesus answers nothing
- Caiaphas asks Jesus, "Art thou the Christ?" Mark 14:61
- Jesus says, "I am" Mark 14:62
- Charged with blasphemy
- Jesus is spit upon, struck in the face

#5 Herod (Luke 23:7-11)

- Jesus doesn't answer any of Herod's questions
- Herod and his men mock Jesus, put on a robe and send him back to Pilate

#6 Pilate (Matt 27:17-26; John 18:33-19:16)

- Sits on judgment seat
- His wife sends a message that he have nothing to do with Jesus
- Barabbas is released instead of Jesus
- Pilate washes his hands
- "What is truth" asked by Pilate John 18:38
- Scourges Jesus, puts a purple robe on him, places a crown of thorns upon his head
- "Behold the man" John 19:5
- Jews cry out "Crucify him, crucify him"
- Pilate gives in to the crowd and Jesus is led away to Golgatha

#3 Sanhedrin (Luke 22:66-71)

- Around 5:30 am, Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus probably present
- Full session of Sanhedrin (70 members)
- Ratify the charges of the night before
- So Jesus can go to Pilate as a condemned man

#4 Pilate (Luke 23:1-7)

- 10:00 am Friday morning
- Pilate asks him if he is king of Jews
- Jesus says, "Thou sayest" Luke 23:3
- Pilate finds no fault in him

Friday:

Crucifixion (9:00 am – Mark's Gospel; NOON in John's Gospel)

Darkness, earthquake

Veil of the Temple rent in two

Burial in Joseph of Arimathaea's new tomb

Saturday:

Sealing of the tomb, a Roman guard posted

Sunday:

Resurrection

The empty tomb

The guards report to Sanhedrin

Mary and the women see Jesus at the tomb