

Passion Week Reading Schedule



A large portion of the gospels records the final week of Christ's ministry on earth. One of the best ways to wrap your head around Passion Week is to "walk" through the week as it would have occurred 1993 years ago.

This schedule uses the Harmony of the Gospels booklet page order.

Follow along here: tinyurl.com/harmony-download

(Or you can follow along in your own Bible using the Scripture references)

Darker orange highlights indicate large amounts of reading, so you can plan ahead.

Friday, March 27th, 2026: (Friday, March 27th, 33 AD)

Travel up to Jerusalem

- **Friday morning:** Luke 19:28 (pg. 171b)
(Jesus begins 15 mile hike up from Jericho with everyone else travelling to Jerusalem for Passover - Psalms of Ascent)
- Afternoon, roughly 3pm Jesus arrives at Bethany before 5pm Sabbath begins, and he stays there tonight and tomorrow night. Pilgrims would have continued on to make it to Jerusalem by 5pm Sabbath beginning.
The pilgrims bring news to the city that Jesus is coming, and will be there after the Sabbath ending Saturday evening, so likely arrival into city is Sunday morning (thus triumphal entry and crowds on Sunday)
- **Friday evening:** Jn 11:55-12:1 (172)

Saturday, March 28th, 2026: (Saturday, March 28th, 33 AD)

Spend the Sabbath day in Bethany

- Jesus spends Sabbath day in Bethany with Mary, Martha, and Lazarus
(1.8 miles from Jerusalem on the back of the Mt. of Olives)
- Jesus spends Sabbath dinner in Simon the Leper's house in Bethany
- Judas is rebuked, and his reaction is to plan to betray Christ (but he actually approaches the chief priests about it on Tuesday)
- **Saturday evening:** Matt 26:6–Luke 22:6, (173–174)

Sunday, March 29th, 2026: (Sunday, March 29th, 33 AD)

Triumphal Entry

- To the exact day from Daniel's prophecy over 500 years before, the Son of David enters the city (Palm Sunday)
- **Sunday morning:** Matt 21:1–21:16 (176–180a)
- **Sunday evening:** Matt 21:17–Mark 11:11 (pg 180b)

Monday, March 30th, 2026: (Monday, March 30th, 33 AD)

Temple Cleansing

- **Monday morning:** Matt 21:18–Luke 19:48 (pg 181–182a)
- **Monday evening:** John 12:20–50 (182b–183)

Tuesday, March 31st, 2026: (Tuesday, March 31st, 33 AD)

(* This day is A LOT of reading!)**

- **Tuesday morning:** Matt 21:19–Mark 11:26 (184)
- **Tuesday Midday:** Matt 21:23–Luke 21:4 (185–196) **(Jewish Controversies)**
- **Tuesday Afternoon:** Matt 24:1–Luke 21:38 (197–204) **(Olivet Discourse)**
- **Tuesday Evening:** Matt 26:1–Luke 22:6 (205–206) **(Judas plans betrayal)**

Wednesday, April 1st, 2026: (Wednesday, April 1st, 33 AD)

Silent Day

- **No events are recorded from this day!**
Take a break!
- (Today is secretive because Jesus is probably preparing for the secret passover meal tomorrow night now that he knows Judas is about to betray him. Notice the covertness of the place of keeping the passover in tomorrow's reading. Judas doesn't know where the meal will be held, and can't go tip of the Chief Priests until the meal begins)

Thursday, April 2nd, 2026: (Thursday, April 2nd, 33 AD)

- **Thursday Morning or Midday:**
Matt 26:17–Luke 22:13 (207–208) **(Meal Prep)**
- **Thursday evening:** Matt 26:20–Matt 26:30 (203–221a) **(Last Supper)**
- **Thursday midnight–Friday 1 am:**
Mt 26:36–Luke 22:46 (221b–222) **(Gethsemane)**

Friday, April 3rd, 2026: (Friday, April 3rd, 33 AD)

Betrayal, Botched Trials, & Crucifixion

- **Friday 1am–6am:**
Matt 26:47–Matt 27:10 (223–231a) **(Betrayal, and illegal Jewish Trials)**
- **Friday 6–9am:** Matt 27:2–Jn 19:17 (231b–239a) **(Roman Trials)**
- **Friday 9am–noon:** Matt 27:35–John 19:27 (239b–241a) **(Crucifixion)**
- **Friday noon–3pm:** Matt 27:45–Luke 23:49 (241b–243) **(Final hours on Cross)**
- **Friday 3pm–5pm:** Matt 27:57–Luke 23:56 (244–245) **(Quick Burial before Sabbath)**

Saturday, April 4th, 2026: (Saturday, April 4th, 33 AD)

- **Saturday (midday during Sabbath?!):**
Matt 27:62–66 (246a) **(Priests scheme)**
- **Saturday evening:** Mark 16:1 (246b) **(Women prepare to properly anoint body tomorrow morning after Sabbath ends)**

Sunday, April 5th, 2026: (Saturday, April 5th, 33 AD)

- **Sunday at dawn:** Matt 28:1–John 20:10 (247–249) **(Women find empty Tomb)**
- **Sunday during day:** Mark 16:9–Luke 24:32 (250–252a) **(More appearances)**
- **Sunday evening:** Luke 24:33–John 20:25 (252b–253) **(Appears to disciples)**

More appearances over the next 40 days:

- Pg 254–260