

Holy Week: The Week of The Crucifixion!

ESV Acts 1:1-3 In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach,

2 until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen.

*3 He presented himself alive to them after his **(passion)** suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.*

This past Sunday was **Palm Sunday**, Palm Sunday is victory and celebration Sunday as Jesus enters Jerusalem with much fanfare.

The following 7 days is **Holy Week** and the next Sunday which is the last Sunday of Jesus earthly life is called **Passion Sunday**.

The **Sunday of His Suffering and death by Crucifixion!**

The Celebration came before the suffering and then the victory!

The Palms came before The Passion!

Jesus public ministry on earth lasted approximately **3 ½ years, 42 months, 504 weeks or 1277 days!**

The month of **April** is known as the month of **Nisan** on the Hebrew calendar. Formerly called **Abib** prior to Babylonian slavery!

Nisan follows the month of **Adar** which is a month of “**celebration and happiness**” because of the great deliverance of The Jewish people from Haman who sought to destroy the entire nation.

Again, notice the pattern: Celebration & Suffering precedes Victory!

❖ **Nisan** is called **the month of miracles!**

Nisan is also referred to as “**the month of the redemption.**”

God had Israel change the name of the month from (Abib) to **Nisan** after redeeming His people at Passover!

Major events that happen in the month of (Abib) **Nisan:**

1) The creation of The World

- 2) **The creation of Man**
- 3) **God made Covenant with Abraham**
- 4) **Passover when God killed Egyptians and saved His people**
- 5) **The Dedication of the Tabernacle in the wilderness**
- 6) **Jesus ate The Last Supper with His disciples**
- 7) **The Crucifixion of Jesus The Christ!**
- 8) **The Resurrection of Jesus The Christ!**

❖ **It seems God did more miraculous things during this month than any other!**

This is the season of **Divine Intervention in The Affairs of Man!**

This is the season of Big Miracles, significant miracles & great things!

This is the season when man's efforts fall short and God's power is revealed!

This is the month when we stop looking for human solutions and look for Divine solutions!

This is the season when God **delivers the godly out of their troubles!**

Sunday was Palm Sunday the day Jesus enters Jerusalem then leaves and spends the night in Bethany!

Monday:

Jesus leaves Bethany curses the fig tree on the way back to Jerusalem, weeps over Jerusalem when He arrives and cleanses the temple.

Tuesday:

Jesus finds the fig tree cursed on the way back from Bethany, does the Olivet Discourse (Matt 24) and Judas bargains with the Sanhedrin.

Wednesday:

Jesus prepares for **Last His Last Supper** with the disciples, washing the disciple's feet as Judas and Sanhedrin prepare for Jesus' arrest.

Thursday:

Peter and John sent out to make preparations for Passover meal.

Has the Last Supper with his disciples.

Jesus enters to The Garden of Gethsemane and agonizes over His death.

Judas betrays Jesus.

Good Friday:

The **six trials** of Jesus! Three by The Jews and three by The Romans

- 1) The trial before Annas the current High Priest
- 2) Trial before Caiaphas the previous High Priest
- 3) At dawn before the Sanhedrin
- 4) Trial before Pilate
- 5) Trial before Herod
- 6) Second trial before Pilate