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## What's next?

Holy Week is the time we remember Jesus being welcomed into Jerusalem like a king, then hung on the cross. What comes next? On Easter Jesus is the Christ, the king again, who has risen from the dead.



Draw what comes next in each line.



*Jesus, during this Holy Week help us remember your gift of eternal life. Amen*

## This week

Find a Bible storybook to read or tell the passion story at home, one section each day until Easter Sunday.

# Kids Celebrate

Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday



## gather

Welcome to worship. Today is Palm Sunday, the first day of Holy Week.



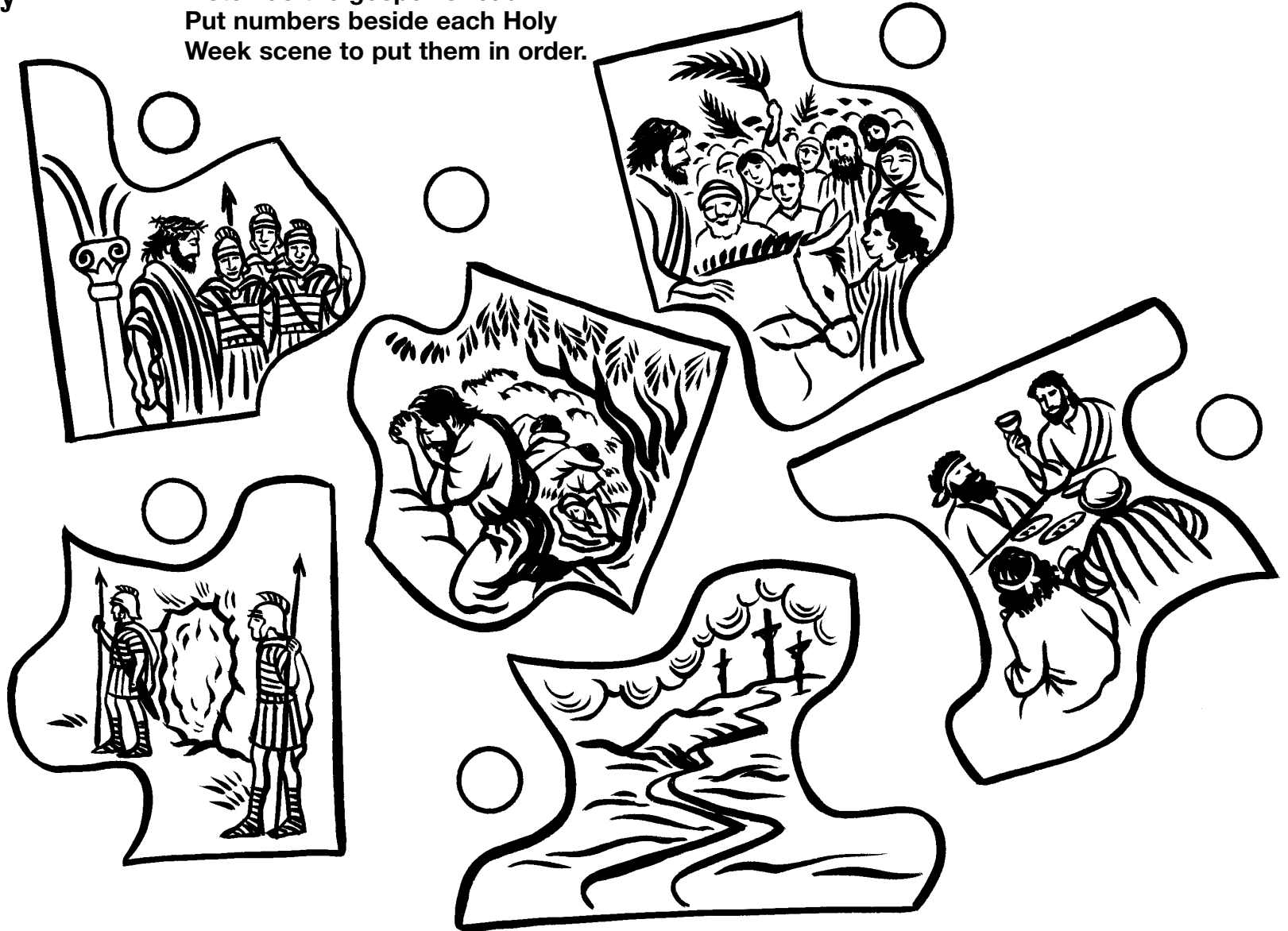
**Circle the palm branches in the picture. Draw more branches in people's hands and on the road.**

## Jesus' passion story

Matthew 26:14—27:66

We have so many puzzling feelings when we hear the story of Jesus' death and resurrection.

Listen as the gospel is read.  
Put numbers beside each Holy Week scene to put them in order.



Listen to the tunes and words of hymns and songs today. Which ones make you feel happy? Do some sound sad?

# Last Week, Last Words

What did Jesus do during the last week of his life? Listen to the Gospel reading during worship. While you listen, number the pictures in order.

Use the phrases to fill in captions.

Jesus ate. Jesus sang. Jesus prayed. Jesus was arrested.  
 Jesus was asked many questions. Jesus was sentenced to die.  
 Jesus was nailed to a cross. Jesus died. Jesus was buried.



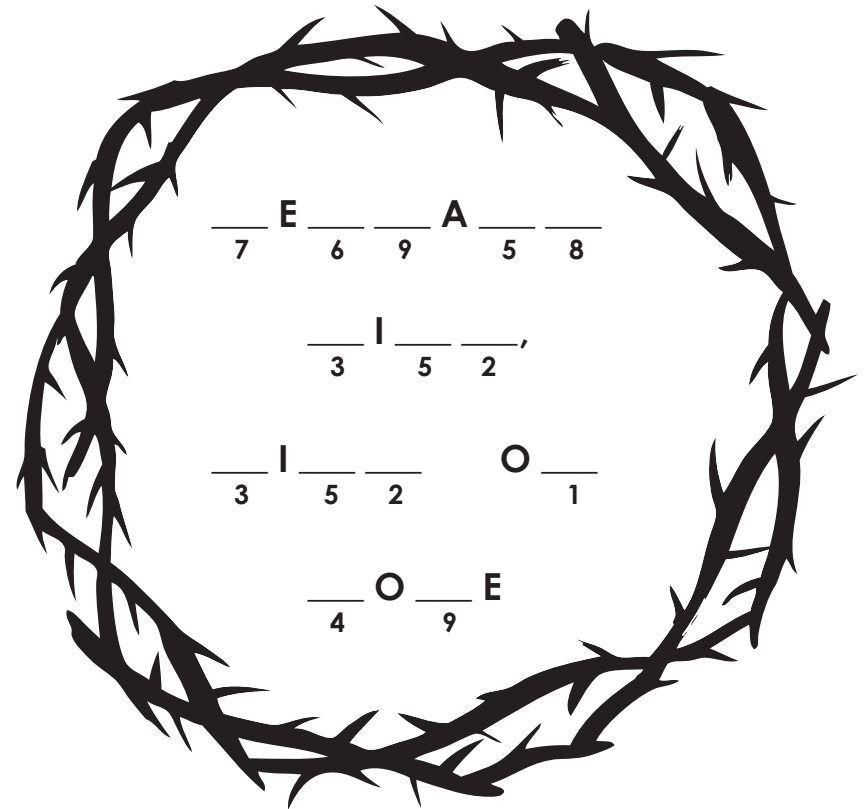
# READER

Passion/Palm Sunday

- This is **Holy Week**.
- Holy Week was the **last week** of Jesus' life.
- During Holy Week, we **honor** Jesus and **mourn** his death.

## Sometimes It Hurts

Solve the puzzle below to find out what kind of king Jesus was.

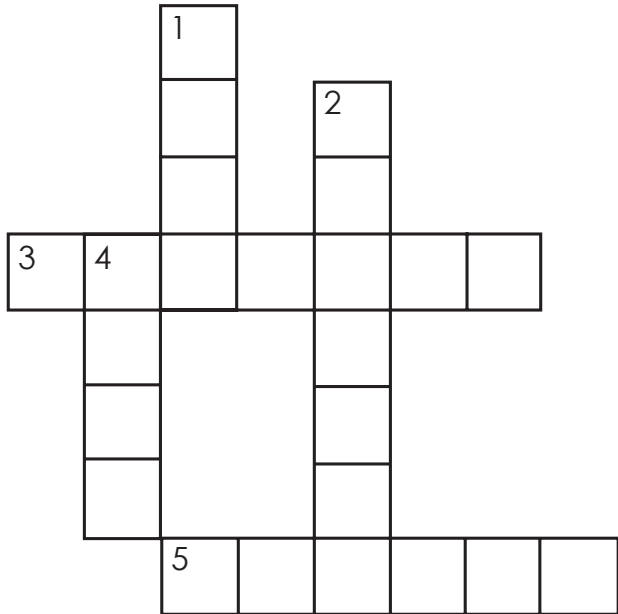


1=F 2=G 3=K 4=L 5=N 6=R 7=S 8=T 9=V

\_\_\_\_\_ is the one who comes in  
 the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_!  
 \_\_\_\_\_ in the highest \_\_\_\_\_!  
 Matthew 21:9



Use the clues below to fill in the crossword puzzle and the memory verse. If you get stuck, look up Matthew 21:9 for help.



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- 3. Mary was \_\_\_\_\_ among women. Luke 1:42
- 5. In the beginning, God created the \_\_\_\_\_s and the earth. Genesis 1:1

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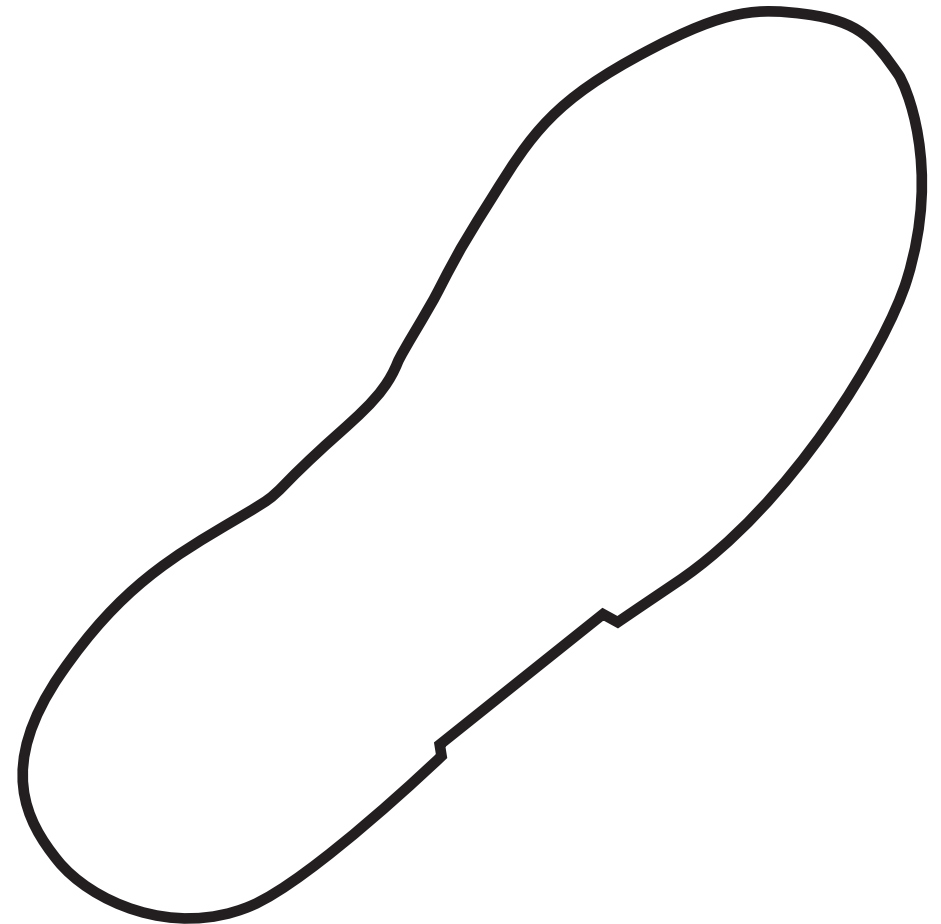
- 1. Adam gave one of these to all the animals: A \_\_\_\_\_. Genesis 2:20
- 2. People waved palms and shouted, "\_\_\_\_\_!" Mark 11:10
- 4. God is the \_\_\_\_\_ of lords. Deuteronomy 10:17

## A Long Way to Go

On **Palm Sunday**, Jesus rode a donkey into Jerusalem.  
 On **Maundy Thursday**, Jesus gave the disciples bread and wine.  
 On **Good Friday**, Jesus prayed in the garden. And Jesus died on the cross.  
 But that was **not the end** of Jesus' journey!



Jesus walked a long way, telling people about God. Even when he died on the cross, it was not the end of his journey to share God's love with everyone. Use a pencil or crayon to make a rubbing of part of your shoe's sole to remind you of how far Jesus traveled.



Jesus cried out these words when he was dying on the cross: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" These are the first words of Psalm 22. Look it up to read the rest of the psalm.

Do you see any palms in worship today?  
Did you get to carry a palm?  
On **Palm Sunday**, we celebrate **Jesus!**

**Find and circle all 15 palm branches in this picture.**

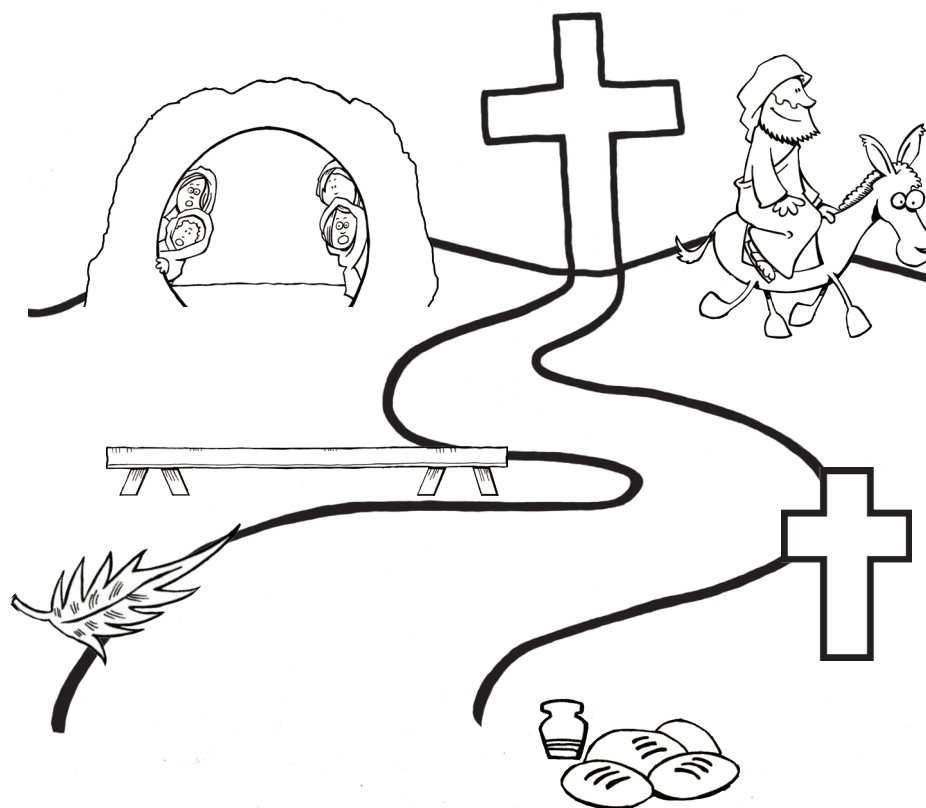


# PRE-READER

Passion/Palm Sunday

- Palm Sunday is the first day of **Holy Week**.
- During Holy Week, we are both **happy** and **sad**.
- **God is with us** during Holy Week—and **always!**

**Match each picture on the left of the path with a picture on the right.**





**It was a sad and hard time for Jesus and his friends.**

When Jesus came to Jerusalem, he rode on a donkey.  
People came out to celebrate.  
A few days later, the people were angry.

**Count how many people are celebrating Jesus' coming. Write the number in the box below.**

