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Jesus' Passion Week: An Easter Bible Study

Jesus' last week on earth before His crucifixion is called the Passion Week. *Passio* is a Latin rendering of the Greek word *pathos* meaning suffering, deep emotion, and longing. Both love and agony accompanied Jesus through each day of Passion Week. Use this Bible study through Jesus' Passion Week for both your personal spiritual growth and with those you're discipling.

Sunday: Jesus wept as He longed for His people to experience true peace and escape the consequences of Jerusalem's future destruction.

Read Luke 19:28-44. What phrases and images in this passage point to Jesus' kingship?

Monday: Moved by holy anger, Jesus cleansed the Temple to remove obstacles that kept Gentiles and people experiencing poverty from being able to worship God.

Read Matthew 21:12-22. What can you conclude from Matthew 21:12-22 about the kind of follower Jesus seeks?

Tuesday: In the face of great hostility, Jesus amazed the crowd by teaching with an authority that demonstrated His divine kingship.

Read Mark 12:13-17. Jesus' answer — "Give back to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's" — begs the following question: what truly belongs to human authorities, and what belongs to God?

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Wednesday: Jesus graciously welcomed and received a woman who anointed Him in preparation for burial. Read Mark 14:1-10. How does Jesus view Mary's gift?

Thursday: Jesus demonstrated the full extent of His love to His disciples by washing their feet and giving them the gift of the Last Supper.

Read Luke 22:7-20. What four verbs are used in connection with the bread? What is the significance of each?

Friday: Jesus performed the ultimate act of love by laying down His life on the cross to redeem the world.

Read John 19:18-30. What does it mean to rest in the work Jesus accomplished on the cross while continuing the work God has called you to do?

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