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Jesus' Last Week- Introduction

Here's an overall view of what we might be looking into in detail through this series.

Jewish Days

Day	Jewish day	Modern day
First	Yom Rishon	Sunday
Second day	Yom Sheni	Monday
Third day	Yom Shlishi	Tuesday
Fourth day	Yom Revi'i	Wednesday
Fifth day	Yom Chamishi	Thursday
Sixth day	Yom Shishi	Friday
Seventh day	Yom Shabbat	Saturday

The actual day starts from 6 am to 6 pm.

The *first day* starts on the Sabbath day – Saturday evening 6 pm – and it ends on the first day evening at 6 pm. Genesis 1:5

(NKJV) – *God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.*

Further references can be found in Genesis 1:8,13, 19,23 and 31. Jewish people still follow this method for the 'day' calculation.

ONE HEBREW NIGHT

Our Time	6pm	7pm	8pm	9pm	10pm	11pm	12	1am	2am	3am	4am	5am	6am
Hours		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Jewish Hours	First Watch			Second Watch			Third Watch			Fourth Watch			

JEWISH DAY

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Hours		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Jewish hours		1 st hr	2 nd hr	3 rd hr	4 th hr	5 th hr	6 th hr	7 th hr	8 th hr	9 th hr	10 th hr	11 th hr	12 th hr

Passover is on the first month, i.e., the Month of Nissan on the 14th day (Leviticus 23:4–7), so the 14th day starts on the 13th day evening at 6 pm.

“These are the LORD’s appointed festivals, the sacred assemblies you are to proclaim at their appointed times: ⁵The LORD’s Passover begins at twilight on the fourteenth day of the first month. ⁶On the fifteenth day of that month the LORD’s Festival of Unleavened Bread begins; for seven days you must eat bread made without yeast. ⁷On the first day hold a sacred assembly and do no regular work. ⁸For seven days present a food offering to the LORD. And on the seventh day hold a sacred assembly and do no regular work.” (NIV)

Hebrew Months

Jewish Month	Approximate Secular Month	Special Festival
Nissan	March–April	Passover
Iyar	April–May	Lag B’Omer
Sivan	May–June	Shavuot (Pentecost)
Tammuz	June–July	
Menachem Av	July–August	Tisha B’Av
Elul	August–September	
Tishrei	September–October	Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kipur, Sukkot
Marchesvan	October–November	
Kislev	November–December	Chanukah
Tevet	December–January	Conclusion of Chanukah
Shevat	January–February	Tu B’Shvat
Adar	February–March	Purim

Last week according to the Gospel of Mark

The Gospel of Mark gives the account of the last 5 days very accurately. Mark 11:1 is exactly 5 days before the Passover; it is the day after Jesus arrives from Bethany as per John 12:1, which is six days before Passover!

Days before Passover	Scripture
5	Mark 11:1
4	Mark 11:12
3	Mark 11:20
2	Mark 14:1
1	Mark 14:12

So we will work this out as our basic for the days, also incorporating information from the other Gospels in order to get a clear picture of Jesus’ journey.

FIVE DAYS BEFORE PASSOVER

The Event	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John	Time
Triumphal entry	21:1-11	11:1-10	19:29-44	12:12-19	Morning
Greeks visit/voice from Heaven				12:20-36	Afternoon
Jesus wept over Jerusalem			19:41-44		Evening
Return to Bethany		11:11			Night stay

FOUR DAYS BEFORE PASSOVER

The Event	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John	Time
Cursing the fig tree	21:18-19	11:12-14			Morning
Second cleansing of the temple	21:12-16	11:15-18	19:45-48		Afternoon
Response to an unbelieving crowd				12:37-50	
Return to Bethany	21:17	11:19			

THREE DAYS BEFORE PASSOVER

The Event	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John	Time
Fig tree withered and faith	21:19-22	11:20-26	21:38		Morning
Question on Jesus' authority	21:23-27	11:27-33	20:1-8		
Parable of two sons	21:28-32				
Parable of vineyard	21:33-46	12:1-12	20:19-26		Mid-morning
Parable of marriage feast	21:1-14				
Question on Caesar	22:15-22	12:13-17	20:19-26		
Great Commandment	22:34-40	12:28-34			
Pharisee and Scribes condemned	23:1-36	12:38-40	20:45-47		Afternoon
Jesus Laments over Jerusalem	23:37-39				
Widow's mite		12:41-44	21:1-4		
Olivet discourse	24:1-51	13:1-37	21:5-36		Evening
Parable of virgins	25:1-13				
Parable of Talents	25:14-30				
Inevitable of Final Judgment	25:31-46				

From afternoon, there is no more public ministry for Jesus; His focus turns completely to the religious leaders.

TWO DAYS BEFORE PASSOVER

The Event	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John	Time
Sanhedrin plot to kill	26:1-5	14:1-2	22:1-2		Morning
Mary anoints Jesus	26:6-13	14:3-9		12:2-8	
Judas agrees to betray Jesus	26:14-16	14:10-11	22:3-6		Evening

ONE DAY BEFORE PASSOVER

The Event	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John	Time
Preparation for Passover meal	26:17-20	14:12-17	22:7-14		Morning
Disciples' strife			22:24-30		
Jesus washes the feet of disciples				13:1-20	Evening
Identification of betrayer (upper room)	26:21-25	14:18-21	22:21-23	13:21-30	Evening
Last Supper	26:26-29	14:22-25	22:15-20		
Jesus leaves				13:32	
New Commandment				13:31-35	
Peter's denial predicted	26:31-35	14:27-31	22:31-38	13:36-38	
Discourse in the upper room				14-16	
Jesus' High Priest prayer				17	
Sung a hymn (upper room)	26:30	14:26			
Agony in Gethsemane	26:36-46	14:32-42	22:40-46	18:1-2	
Betrayal by Judas	26:47-50	14:43-45	22:47-48	18:2-9	
The arrest (Gethsemane)	26:51-56	14:46-52	22:49-53	18:10-12	
Jesus questioned by Annas (Sanhedrin)			22:54,63-65	18:7,13,19-24	
Examined by Caiaphas (High Priest house)	26:57-68	14:53-65		18:14-18	
Peter denies Jesus (courtyard)	26:69-75	14:66-72	22:55-62	18:25-27	

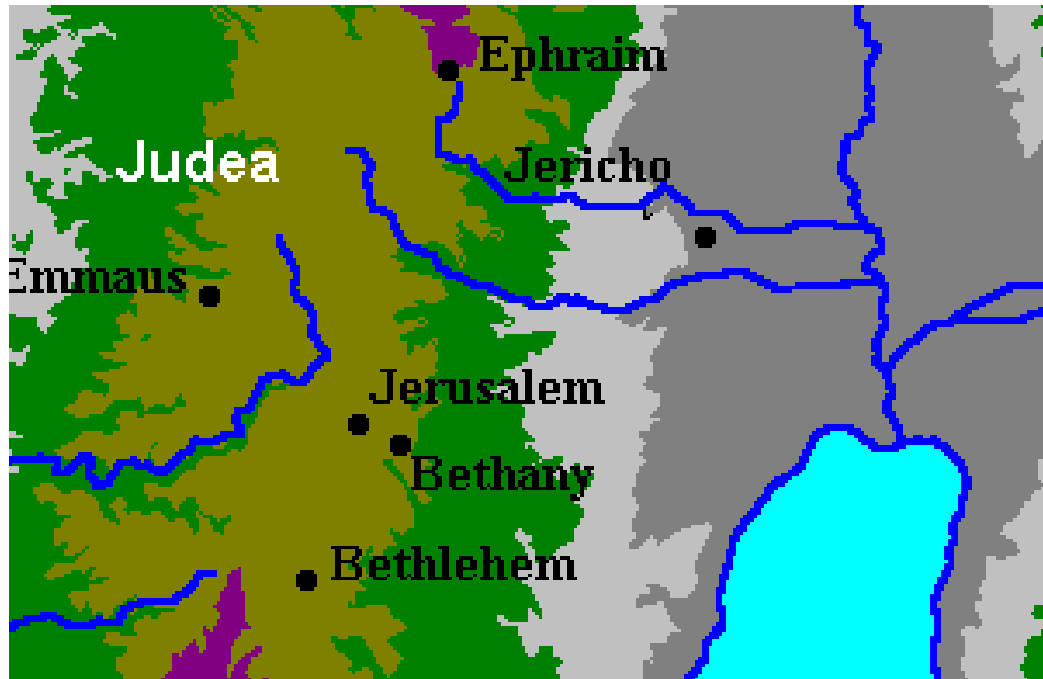
PASSOVER

The Event	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John	Time
Formal trial	27:1-2	15:1	22:66-71		
Judas' death	27:3-10				Uncertain about the day and time
Trial before Pilate	27:3-10				Early morning
Before Herod			23:6-12		Morning
Before Pilate the 2nd time	27:15-23	15:6-14	23:13-23	18:39-40	Morning
Barabbas released	27:26-30	15:15-19	23:25	19:1-3	
Pilate sentences Jesus	27:24-25	15:20-23, 27-28	23:24	19:4-16	Morning
Way to Calvary	27:31-34		23:26-33	19:16-18	Mid-day 12 noon
First utterance on the cross			23:34		
Soldiers divide His clothes	27:35-36	15:24	23:34	19:23-24	
Second utterance on the cross			23:39-43		
Third utterance				19:25-27	
Darkness covers the earth	27:45	15:33	26:44-45		
Fourth utterance	27:46-47	15:34-35			
Fifth utterance	27:48-49	15:36		19:28-29	
Sixth utterance				19:30	
Seventh utterance and dies	27:50	15:37	23:46	19:30	3 pm
Centurion's testimony	27:51-56	15:38-41	23:45,47-49		
His side pierced	27:57-61	15:42-47	23:50-56	19:31-37	
Burial				19:38-42	Before 6 pm evening

FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK

Event	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John	Time
Tomb is opened	28:2-4				
Mary Magdalene and other women visit the tomb	28:1, 5-7	16:1-8	24:1-8	20:1	
Mary tells Peter and John			24:9-11	20:2	
Peter, Mary, and John visit the tomb			24:12	20:3-10	
The Saviour appears to Mary		16:9		20:11-17	
Mary tells the apostles		16:10-11		20:18	
Saviour appears to other women	28:9-10				
Chief Priest informed by guards	28:11-15				
2 Disciples on Emmaus Road		16:5:12-13	24:13-32		
Jesus appears to Peter			24:34		
Jesus Appears to all apostles except Thomas		16:14	24:33-49	20:19-23	

Map of the places Jesus visited during the last week of His life on earth



Distances (in miles)

Jerusalem to Bethany → 2 miles

Jerusalem to Emmaus → 7 miles

Jerusalem to Bethlehem → 6 miles

Jerusalem to Jericho → 15 miles approx

Jerusalem to Ephraim → 8-15 miles depending upon where in the Ephraim region you are (Ephraim is not a city; it is a region)