

A Journey through Holy Week

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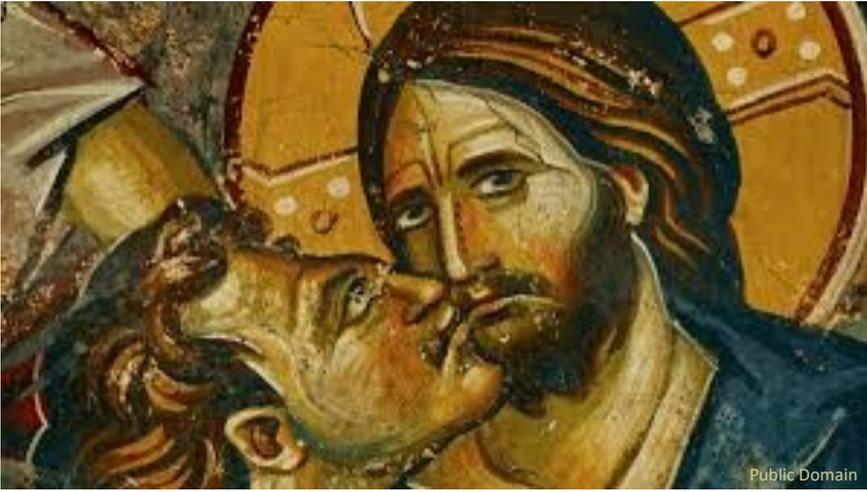
A Journey through Holy Week in text, video and Zoom.

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Betrayal and Arrest



Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him.

Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood

near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled."

*I did not listen to the voice of my teachers
or incline my ear to my instructors.*

*Now I am at the point of utter ruin
in the public assembly."*

Proverbs 5:13-14

A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked. They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree.

*You shall not bear
false witness
against your neighbor.*

Exodus 20:16



The Taking of Christ by Douffet, c. 1620

Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'" But even on this point their testimony did not agree.

*Like a war club, a sword,
or a sharp arrow is one
who bears false witness
against a neighbor.*

Proverbs 25:18

Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" But he was silent and did not answer.

*He was **oppressed**,
and he was **afflicted**,
yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before
its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.*

Isaiah 53:7

Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?" Jesus said, "I am; and 'you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,' and 'coming with the clouds of heaven.'"



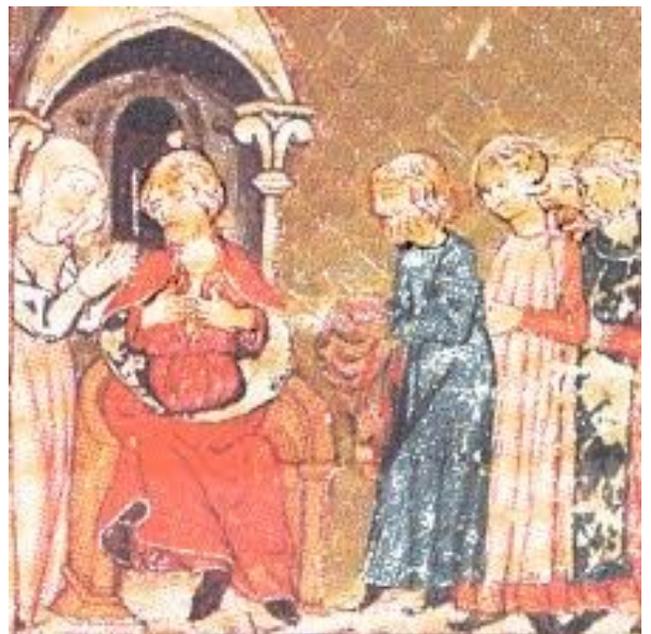
Kreusel, Oswald. *Jesus before Caiaphas and the Sanhedrin.*
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Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?" All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, "Prophesy!" The guards also took him over and beat him.

*I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.*

***The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;**
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.*

Isaiah 50:6-8



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Music for Day 4

They Crucified My Lord

- 1 They crucified my Lord, and he never said a mumbalin' word; they crucified my Lord, and he never said a mumbalin' word; not a word, not a word.
- 2 They nailed him to a tree, and he never said a mumbalin' word; they nailed him to a tree, and he never said a mumbalin' word; not a word, not a word, not a word.
- 3 They pierced him in the side, and he never said a mumbalin' word; they pierced him in the side, and he never said a mumbalin' word; not a word, not a word, not a word.
- 4 The blood came streamin' down, and he never said a mumbalin' word; the blood came streamin' down, and he never said a mumbalin' word; not a word, not a word, not a word.
- 5 He hung his head and died, and he never said a mumbalin' word; he hung his head and died, and he never said a mumbalin' word; not a word, not a word, not a word.



Text: African American spiritual

A Time for Reflection

When have you been betrayed or felt betrayed? How do you think Jesus felt?
How do you think the disciples felt?

At home activity:

- Lies are destructive and can do a lot of damage in our communities. Have you ever been lied to or about? Talk with your family or a friend about how to spot lies and misinformation in today's culture.
- Jesus knew what his death would mean for the world and so he suffered silently. Today is a good day to think, write, or talk about when it is OK to be quiet in the face of insults and when it is important to stand up for yourself or those who need your support.
- Spend time in prayer for those who suffer.



Scripture Reference

Betrayal and Arrest Mark 14:43-65

A LOT CAN HAPPEN IN SEVEN DAYS