

In this week between Palm Sunday and Easter, we remember Jesus' suffering for us, from the time he entered Jerusalem, through his crucifixion and burial. As we walk through this week, we'll look at prophetic verses from Isaiah, written nearly 700 years before the crucifixion, as well as some of Jesus' words recorded in the gospels. Let's ponder these passages deeply, thinking about how they speak to us and our faith or lack thereof, and allow them to fill us with gratitude for all that Jesus has done for us.

Monday: As [Jesus] approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it and said, "If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace-- but now it is hidden from your eyes." Luke 19:41-42

Tuesday: Who believes what we've heard and seen?  
Who would have thought GOD's saving power would look like this? Isaiah 53:1

Wednesday: He was despised and rejected by mankind,  
a man of suffering, and familiar with pain.  
Like one from whom people hide their faces  
he was despised, and we held him in low esteem. Isaiah 53:3

Thursday: My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. John 15:12-13

Friday: But he was pierced for our transgressions,  
he was crushed for our iniquities;  
the punishment that brought us peace was on him,  
and by his wounds we are healed.  
We all, like sheep, have gone astray,  
each of us has turned to our own way;  
and the LORD has laid on him  
the iniquity of us all. Isaiah 53:5-6

Saturday: And [Jesus] said, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life." Luke 9:22