

PALM SUNDAY ACCORDING TO MARK'S GOSPEL

Reference: **Mark 11:1-11**

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This passage describes the start of what is most often called the "Passion Week" (also called the Holy Week). It's called Passion Week because the word passion according to its ancient usage meant "_____", and that was the week Jesus suffered in sacrificing Himself for our sins.

The word "liturgical" means a _____ for public religious services or rituals. In a technical sense, all congregations are liturgical since all congregations subscribe to some form of structural format for public services.

Congregations that hold to a more structured, regimented and predetermined formal liturgical worship format are Roman Catholics, different Orthodox groups, Anglicans and Episcopalians, Lutheranism and to some degree other mainline Protestant denominations such as some Presbyterians and Methodists.

Since the Reformation period, some five centuries ago, more formal, structured liturgical congregations were considered _____ **church**, and less structured, more informal liturgical congregations were considered _____ **church**.

Baptist denominations, Pentecostal groups, Quakers, Nazarenes, etc. and most independent non-denominational groups such as Calvary Chapels are considered low church because these groups don't believe Scripture _____ a particular prescribed form of public worship service.

More high churches operate according to an annual liturgical calendar. That calendar consists of the cycle of different liturgical seasons that the church celebrates.

Explanation: We are now in the Lenten season. Lent stretches from Ash Wednesday to the Saturday before Easter. The end of Lent concludes during Passion Week.

Throughout the centuries the organized church has assigned a specific name to each day of the Passion Week.

Sunday is _____ Sunday.
Monday is _____ Monday.
Tuesday is _____ Tuesday.
Wednesday is _____ Wednesday.
Thursday is _____ Thursday.
Friday is _____ Friday.
Saturday is _____ Saturday.

Sunday is _____ Sunday (i.e. Easter).

Read **verses nine** and **ten** (see screen)

Jesus presented Himself to the Jewish masses as the promised Messiah and the people were responding to that claim. This crowd acknowledged that Jesus was the Son of David. Jesus was the Son of _____, the Son of _____, the Son of _____, the Son of _____, and the Son of _____.

The Son of David meant Jesus was a direct descendent from the famous Jewish king, David, and the Son of David was the most common and often-used Messianic title.

The word Messiah means "God's _____ or **anointed king**." Messiah is a Hebrew word and Christ is the identical word in the Greek language, so both Messiah and Christ mean the same thing.

God promised His people a Messiah and according to the different Old Testament Messianic prophecies, that Messiah would ultimately be two extremely important things:

- Messiah would be a _____ (forgiver).
Reference: **Isaiah 53:3-6** (see screen)
- Messiah would be a _____.
Reference: **Daniel 7:14** (see screen)

The people cried out, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Hosanna in the highest!" The word Hosanna means "_____."

The problem was this Palm Sunday crowd wanted Jesus to save them from _____ rule, not save them from _____.