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Easter Bible Trivia

50 questions from Palm Sunday to the empty tomb · answer key at the end

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Round 1: Palm Sunday

1. What animal did Jesus ride into Jerusalem?
2. Which prophet foretold the king "lowly, and riding upon an ass"?
3. What did the crowds spread on the road?
4. What did the crowds cry out?
5. What did Jesus do when he came near and saw Jerusalem?

Round 2: Monday to Wednesday

6. Which tree did Jesus curse on the way into Jerusalem?
7. Whose tables did Jesus overturn in the temple?
8. Quoting Scripture, what did Jesus say the temple should be called, and what had it become?
9. Whose image was on the coin Jesus asked to see?
10. What did the poor widow put into the temple treasury?
11. How much did the chief priests agree to pay Judas?
12. In the house of Simon the leper in Bethany, what did a woman pour on Jesus?

Round 3: Thursday, the Last Supper and Gethsemane

13. Whom were the disciples told to follow to find the room for the Passover?
14. Which Gospel tells how Jesus washed the disciples' feet?
15. What "new commandment" did Jesus give that night?

16. What did Jesus say as he gave the bread?

17. What was the name of the place where Jesus prayed after supper?

18. Which three disciples did Jesus take farther into the garden?

19. Which Gospel says his sweat was "as it were great drops of blood"?

20. What sign did Judas use to show the soldiers which man was Jesus?

21. What was the name of the high priest's servant whose ear Peter cut off?

22. What did Jesus do for the wounded servant?

23. Who fled from the garden leaving his linen cloth behind?

Round 4: Friday, the trials

24. In John's Gospel, to whom was Jesus taken first after his arrest?

25. Who was the high priest that year?

26. How many times did Peter deny Jesus, and how many times did the cock crow in Mark?

27. To which ruler did Pilate send Jesus when he learned he was from Galilee?

28. Who warned Pilate because of a dream?

29. Which prisoner did Pilate release instead of Jesus?

30. What did Pilate do with water before the crowd?

Round 5: Friday, the cross

31. Who was compelled to carry the cross for Jesus?

32. What does the name Golgotha mean?

33. In what three languages was the title on the cross written?

34. According to John, what exactly did the title say?

35. What were Jesus' first words from the cross in Luke?

36. What did Jesus promise the thief who asked to be remembered?

37. From which hour to which hour was there darkness over the land?

38. Which Psalm did Jesus quote when he cried "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?"

39. What happened to the veil of the temple?

40. What were Jesus' last words before he died, according to John?

41. What did the centurion say when he saw how Jesus died?

Round 6: Friday evening and Saturday, the tomb

42. Which member of the council asked Pilate for Jesus' body?

43. Who brought about a hundred pounds of myrrh and aloes for the burial?

44. Where was the tomb?

45. What did the chief priests do to secure the tomb on the day after the crucifixion?

Round 7: Sunday, the resurrection and after

46. Which three women came with spices in Mark 16:1?

47. Who rolled back the stone, according to Matthew?

48. Who did Mary Magdalene think Jesus was when she first saw him?

49. What was the name of the village two disciples were walking to when Jesus joined them?

50. Bonus: how many times does the word "Easter" appear in the KJV, and what does it translate?

Answer key

Easter Bible Trivia · references from the King James Version

Round 1: Palm Sunday

1. A colt, the foal of an ass (Mark 11:7; Matthew 21:5). John 12:14 calls it "a young ass".
2. Zechariah (Zechariah 9:9), quoted in Matthew 21:4-5.
3. Their garments, and branches cut from the trees (Matthew 21:8). John says they took "branches of palm trees" (John 12:13), which is why we call it Palm Sunday.
4. "Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest" (Matthew 21:9).
5. "He beheld the city, and wept over it" (Luke 19:41).

Round 2: Monday to Wednesday

6. A fig tree that had "nothing but leaves" (Mark 11:13-14). The next morning it was "dried up from the roots" (Mark 11:20).
7. The moneychangers', along with the seats of those who sold doves (Mark 11:15).
8. "The house of prayer" for all nations, but they had made it "a den of thieves" (Mark 11:17).
9. Caesar's ("Cesar's" in the KJV). Jesus said, "Render to Cesar the things that are Cesar's, and to God the things that are God's" (Mark 12:16-17).
10. "Two mites, which make a farthing" (Mark 12:42). Jesus said she gave more than all the others.
11. Thirty pieces of silver (Matthew 26:15).
12. Very precious ointment of spikenard from an alabaster box (Mark 14:3). John names her as Mary, the sister of Lazarus (John 12:3).

Round 3: Thursday, the Last Supper and Gethsemane

13. "A man bearing a pitcher of water" (Mark 14:13).
14. John (John 13:5).
15. "That ye love one another; as I have loved you" (John 13:34).
16. "This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19).
17. Gethsemane (Matthew 26:36).
18. Peter, James and John (Mark 14:33).
19. Luke (Luke 22:44).
20. A kiss (Mark 14:44-45).
21. Malchus (John 18:10). It was his right ear.
22. "He touched his ear, and healed him" (Luke 22:51).
23. "A certain young man", unnamed (Mark 14:51-52). Many have guessed it was Mark himself, but the text doesn't say.

Round 4: Friday, the trials

24. Annas, the father-in-law of Caiaphas (John 18:13).
25. Caiaphas (Matthew 26:57; John 18:13).
26. Three denials; the cock crowed twice (Mark 14:72).
27. Herod, who "was at Jerusalem at that time" (Luke 23:7).
28. His wife: "Have thou nothing to do with that just man" (Matthew 27:19).
29. Barabbas (Mark 15:15).
30. He washed his hands, saying "I am innocent of the blood of this just person" (Matthew 27:24).

Round 5: Friday, the cross

31. Simon, a Cyrenian, "the father of Alexander and Rufus" (Mark 15:21).
32. "The place of a skull" (Mark 15:22).
33. Hebrew, Greek and Latin (John 19:20).
34. "JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS" (John 19:19).
35. "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34).
36. "To day shalt thou be with me in paradise" (Luke 23:43).
37. From the sixth hour to the ninth hour (Mark 15:33), roughly noon to 3 p.m.
38. Psalm 22:1, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" (Mark 15:34).
39. It "was rent in twain from the top to the bottom" (Mark 15:38).
40. "It is finished" (John 19:30). In Luke, his last words are "Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit" (Luke 23:46).
41. "Truly this man was the Son of God" (Mark 15:39).

Round 6: Friday evening and Saturday, the tomb

42. Joseph of Arimathea, "an honourable counsellor" (Mark 15:43).
43. Nicodemus, "which at the first came to Jesus by night" (John 19:39).
44. In a garden near the place of crucifixion, "a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid" (John 19:41).
45. They sealed the stone and set a watch (Matthew 27:62-66).

Round 7: Sunday, the resurrection and after

46. Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome (Mark 16:1).
47. "The angel of the Lord", who came down from heaven during a great earthquake and sat on the stone (Matthew 28:2).
48. The gardener (John 20:15). She recognized him when he said her name, "Mary" (John 20:16).

49. Emmaus, "about threescore furlongs" from Jerusalem (Luke 24:13). One of them was Cleopas (Luke 24:18), and they recognized Jesus when he broke bread (Luke 24:30-31).

50. Once, in Acts 12:4, where Herod intends to bring Peter out "after Easter". The Greek word is *pascha*, the Passover, which is how other translations render it.



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