

A Family Together

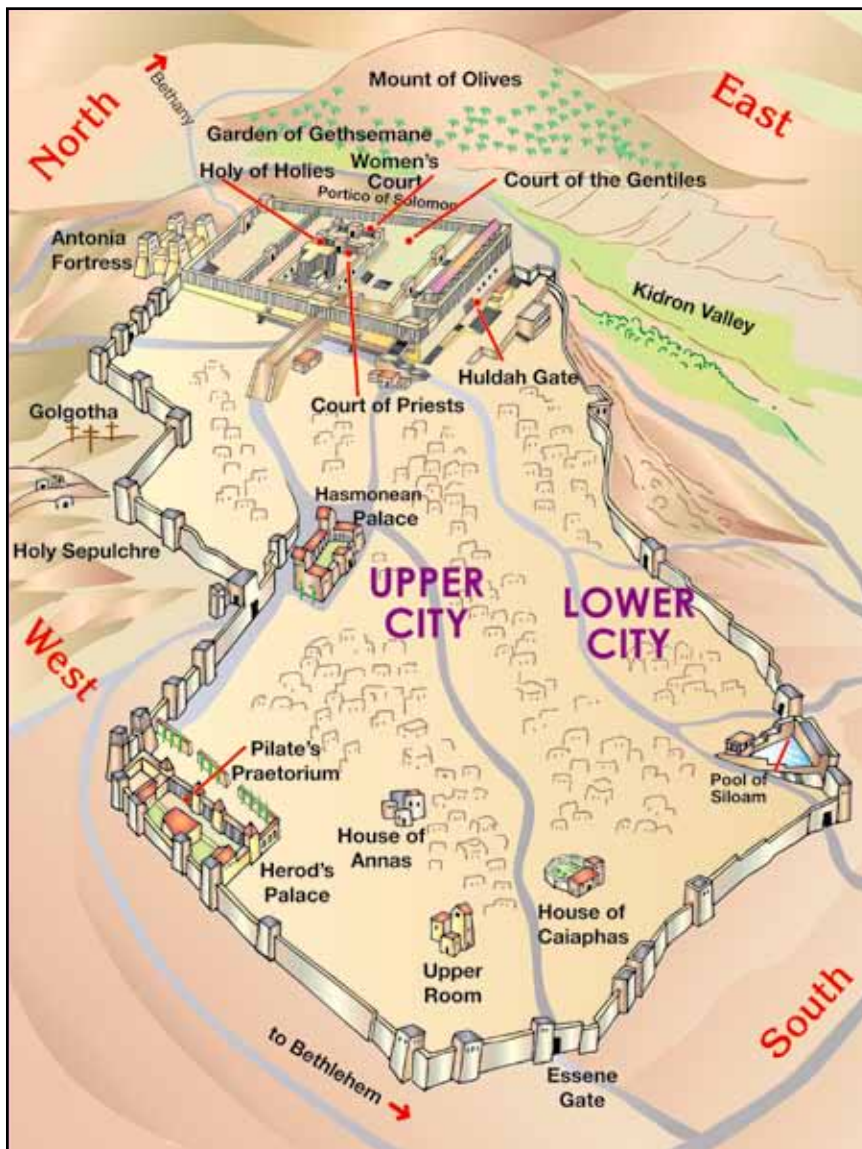
*A Group Activity for
the Family at Home
or Your Class Family*

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Jesus' Journey to Calvary

This Palm Sunday, we hear the story of Jesus' Passion and Death from the Gospel of Mark (14:1—15:47). A few days later, on Good Friday, we hear the account from the Gospel of John (18:1—19:42). To help enter more deeply into Jesus' experience during his

last hours, join him on his journey to Calvary by tracing the path he most likely took. Number each stop along the way, and mark the path as you go from place to place. At each stop, reflect on the Bible passage given.



Pray together: O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of thy mercy. Amen.

1. To prepare for the Passover meal, Jesus sends disciples to Jerusalem to be met by a man who would lead them to a prepared place. Begin your journey at the Essene Gate (Mark 14:12-16).
2. Trace your path from the Essene Gate to the Upper Room, where Jesus has his Last Supper with his disciples (Mark 14:22-31).
3. After the meal, they go to the Mount of Olives, where Jesus stops to pray in the Garden of Gethsemane (Mark 14:32-42).
4. After Judas betrays Jesus with a kiss, the angry crowd leads Jesus to the chief priest, Caiaphas (Luke 22:47-54).
5. After hearing false testimony, the chief priests, elders, and scribes (the Sanhedrin) turn Jesus over to the Roman governor, Pilate. He declares that Jesus should be scourged and crucified (Mark 15:1-20).
6. After carrying his cross to Golgotha (Place of the Skull), Jesus is crucified and dies (Mark 15:22-41).
7. Jesus' body is taken from the cross and laid in a sepulchre, or tomb, belonging to Joseph of Arimathea (Mark 15:42-47).

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