



# Tree House Holy Parent Guide

Memory Verse: "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23

## Week 1

Your child learned that Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a colt as people waved palm branches and shouted, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord." They wanted Jesus to be their earthly king, but that was not the plan for Him.

**Read:** Mark 11:1-11

**Activity:** At bedtime, spread coats on the floor to make a path to your child's bed. Have them pretend to be the donkey Jesus rode on. Retell the story and help them picture what it would have been like to be in Jerusalem waving branches and praising Jesus.

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## Week 2

Your child learned that Jesus celebrated the Passover with His disciples right before He died, commonly known as the Last Supper. We celebrate this as the Lord's Supper to remind us of what Jesus did for us on the cross.

**Read:** Matthew 26:17-30

**Activity:** Prepare a special meal with your child this week. Talk about the Last Supper Jesus ate with His disciples and how it reminded them He would always be with them. Pray, thanking Him for all He has done for your family.

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## Week 3

Your child learned that when the time had come for Jesus to die for our sins He went to the Garden of Gethsemane to pray. He prayed to God, His father, for strength to do what God wanted Him to do.

**Read:** Mark 14:32-42

**Activity:** Go for a walk with your child. Thank God for who He is then let them pick a few flowers from your yard and place them in a vase inside. This can be your indoor prayer garden for the week.

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## Week 4

Your child learned that Jesus, God's Son, chose to die on a cross to take the punishment for our sin so He could have a relationship with us, now and forever.

**Read:** Mark 15

**Activity:** Plant a bulb with your child. Talk about Jesus' death and resurrection. As you water and care for your bulb it will begin to grow into new life. Enjoy your flower as a sign of the new life that you can now have because of what Jesus did on the cross.

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## Week 5

Your child learned that after Jesus died His body was placed in a guarded tomb with a huge stone in front of it. But on the third day, the stone was rolled away and Jesus was no longer inside. He had risen from the dead!

**Read:** Luke 24:1-12

**Activity:** Have your child place a doll or action figure in an empty basket covered with a blanket. Read Luke 24:1-12. While you read, slip the doll out of the basket. Talk to them about how Jesus was not in the tomb on the third day. Let your child lift the blanket off of the basket and say, "He isn't here! He is risen from the dead."