

Use your Resurrection Eggs to tell the events of Holy Week, of Jesus' death and glorious resurrection! You can use other items you find at home, too, to tell the story of what happened that week in Jerusalem.

1. Palm- John 12:12-13

¹² The next day the large crowd that had come for the feast heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. ¹³ So they took branches from **palm** trees and went out to meet him. They shouted, "Hosanna! "

"Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" (Psalm 118:25,26)

"Blessed is the king of Israel!"

2. Coin- Matthew 26: 14-16

¹⁴ One of the 12 disciples went to the chief priests. His name was Judas Iscariot. ¹⁵ He asked, "What will you give me if I hand Jesus over to you?" So they counted out 30 silver coins for him. ¹⁶ From then on, Judas watched for the right time to hand Jesus over to them.

3. Towel- John 13:3-5

³ Jesus knew that the Father had put everything under his power. He also knew he had come from God and was returning to God. ⁴ So he got up from the meal and took off his outer clothes. He wrapped a **towel** around his waist. ⁵ After that, he poured water into a large bowl. Then he began to wash his disciples' feet. He dried them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

4. Bread- Matthew 26: 26-28

²⁶ While they were eating, Jesus took **bread**. He gave thanks and broke it. He handed it to his disciples and said, "Take this and eat it. This is my body."

²⁷ Then he took a cup. He gave thanks and handed it to them. He said, "All of you drink from it. ²⁸ This is my blood of the covenant. It is poured out to forgive the sins of many people.

5. Red Rose Petals- Garden of Gethsemane / Prayer at Mt. Olivet Luke 22:41-53

³⁹ Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives. His disciples followed him. ⁴⁰ When they reached the **place***, Jesus spoke. "Pray that you won't fall into sin when you are tempted," he said to them. ⁴¹ Then he went a short distance away from them. There he got down on his knees and prayed. ⁴² He said, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup of suffering away from me. But do what you want, not what I want." ⁴³ An angel from heaven appeared to Jesus and gave him strength. ⁴⁴ Because he was very sad and troubled, he prayed even harder. His sweat was like **drops of blood** falling to the ground.

⁴⁵ After that, he got up from prayer and went back to the disciples. He found them sleeping. They were worn out because they were very sad. ⁴⁶ "Why are you sleeping?" he asked them. "Get up! Pray that you won't fall into sin when you are tempted."

*The Garden of Gethsemane- we know this from the other Gospels

6. Rooster Feather- Mark 14:66-72

⁷¹ Then Peter began to curse. He said to them, “I don’t know this man you’re talking about!”

⁷² Right away the **rooster** crowed the second time. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had spoken to him. “The rooster will crow twice,” he had said. “Before it does, you will say three times that you don’t know me.” Peter broke down and cried.

7. Cross- John 19: 16-18

16 Finally, Pilate handed Jesus over to them to be nailed to a **cross**. So the soldiers took charge of Jesus. 17 He had to carry his own cross. He went out to a place called the Skull. In the Aramaic language it was called Golgotha. 18 There they nailed Jesus to the cross. Two other men were crucified with him. One was on each side of him. Jesus was in the middle.

8. Sponge- John 19:28-30

28 Later, Jesus knew that everything had now been finished. He also knew that what Scripture said must come true. So he said, “I am thirsty.” ²⁹ A jar of wine vinegar was there. So they soaked a **sponge** in it. They put the sponge on the stem of a hyssop plant. Then they lifted it up to Jesus’ lips. ³⁰ After Jesus drank he said, “It is finished.” Then he bowed his head and died.

9. Spear (toothpick with one end cut off)- John 19:32-34

³² The soldiers came and broke the legs of the first man who had been crucified with Jesus. Then they broke the legs of the other man. ³³ But when they came to Jesus, they saw that he was already dead. So they did not break his legs. ³⁴ Instead, one of the soldiers stuck his **spear** into Jesus’ side. Right away, blood and water flowed out.

10. Stone- Mark 15: 42-46

42 It was the day before the Sabbath. That day was called Preparation Day. As evening approached, ⁴³ Joseph went boldly to Pilate and asked for Jesus’ body. Joseph was from the town of Arimathea. He was a leading member of the Jewish Council. He was waiting for God’s kingdom. ⁴⁴ Pilate was surprised to hear that Jesus was already dead. So he called for the Roman commander. He asked him if Jesus had already died. ⁴⁵ The commander said it was true. So Pilate gave the body to Joseph. ⁴⁶ Then Joseph bought some linen cloth. He took down the body and wrapped it in the linen. He put it in a tomb cut out of rock. Then he rolled a **stone** against the entrance to the tomb.

11. Spices (Cloves)- Luke 23: 55-56

⁵⁵ The women who had come with Jesus from Galilee followed Joseph. They saw the tomb and how Jesus’ body was placed in it. ⁵⁶ Then they went home. There they prepared **spices** and perfumes. But they rested on the Sabbath day in order to obey the Law.

12. Empty- Matthew 28: 5-6

5 The angel said to the women, “Don’t be afraid. I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. **6 He is not here! He has risen, just as he said he would! Come and see the place where he was lying.**”

*All scriptures used are from the New International Reader’s Version of the Bible.