

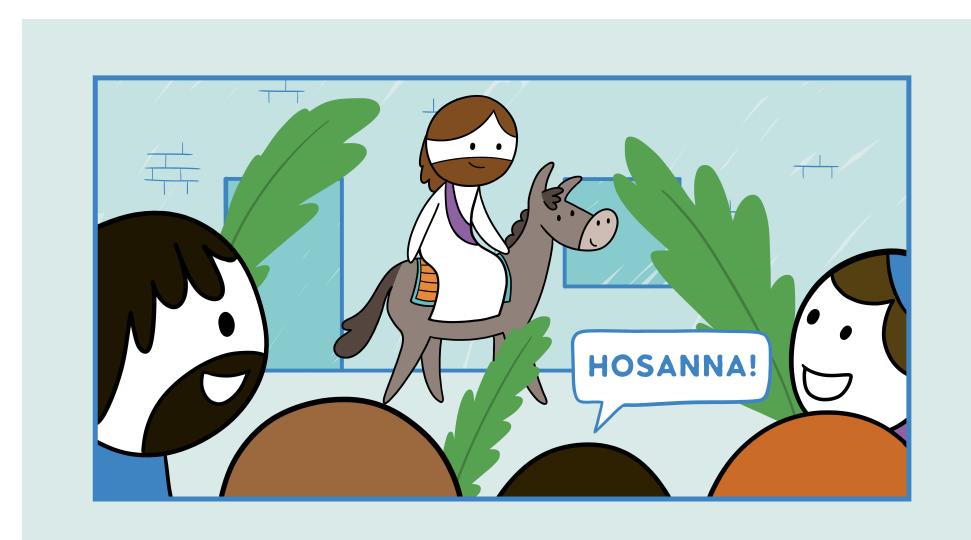
## **Jesus Shows His Love**

Matthew 21:1-11, 26:17-29, 26:47-57, John 13:1-17, John 19

Jesus showed us His love by the way He treated the people who were around Him and also by the miracles He did while He was on Earth.

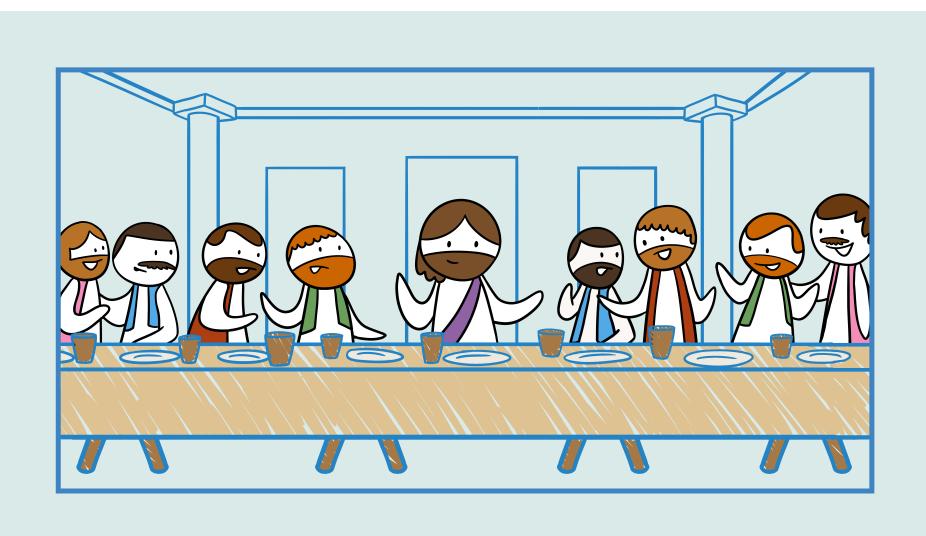
People wondered if Jesus was the King who God had promised to send to save them from the wrong things they had done, and the people were right!

Jesus knew that God had sent Him to Earth to take the punishment for everyone's sin and give them a life that would never end.



The time had come for Jesus to do all that God had planned. He was on His way to the city of Jerusalem, and His disciples found a donkey for Him to ride on.

The people knew He had to be the King who God had promised to send, so they waved palm branches and shouted, "Hosanna!" which means, "Save us!"



A few nights later, Jesus and His disciples were eating a special meal together. Jesus knew this would be the last supper they would share before He went back to Heaven, and He wanted to show them love by serving them. So He thanked God for the bread, broke it up, and gave some to each of His disciples. Then Jesus thanked God for the cup, and everyone ate and drank.

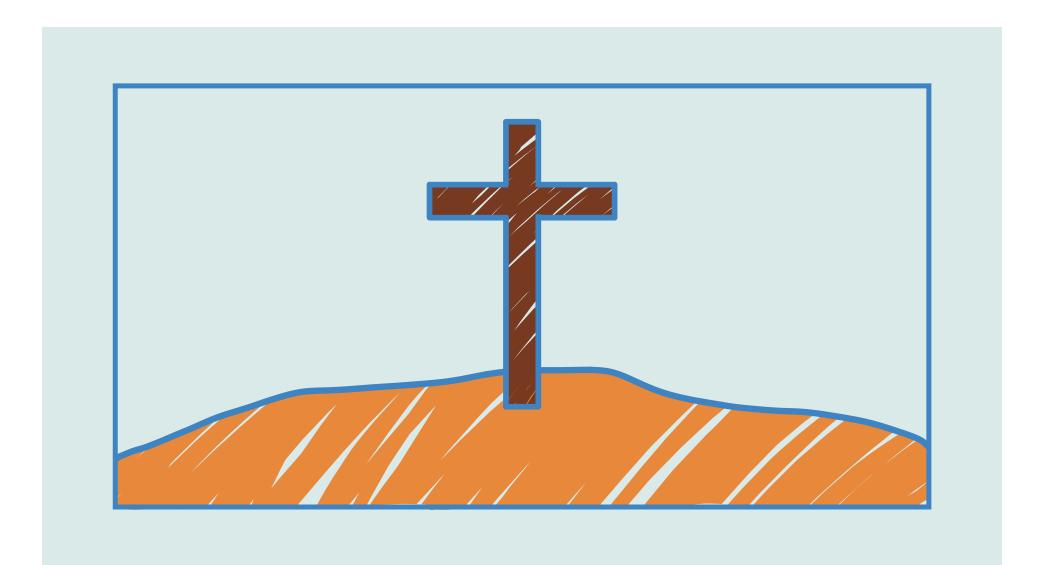
After dinner, He even washed everyone's feet! Jesus explained that washing their feet was a way He could show them love.



Later that night, they all walked over to the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus spent some time praying by himself. Then things got really serious.

This is when Jesus was arrested by a group of guys who didn't like Him claiming to be God's Son. And they definitely didn't think He should be king.

So they made a plan to have Jesus put to death even though He had not done anything wrong.



They sentenced Jesus to death on a cross, but Jesus knew this was all part of God's plan.

Because God hates sin, but loves us, He planned for Jesus to take all the punishment for the sins of all the people in the world. That's what Jesus did when He died on the cross. Jesus came to show His love, and that's exactly what He did when He willingly gave up His life so that we could be forgiven by God!