

WORSHIP @ HOME



DAILY WORSHIP FOR HOLY WEEK MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK HOUSE OF PRAYER



Preparing for worship:

Christian meditation music <http://www.viewpure.com/fOB73qRVGJs?start=0&end=0>

Take a few moments to be still.

The Greeting:

ALL: 'In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

AMEN'. Our tradition is to cross ourselves as this is said.

Opening prayer and lighting of five candles:

Lord God, we come to worship,
and to be reminded of our Saviour's passion;
by the power of your Spirit,
help us to enter fully into the journey of Holy Week, that we may be prepared once again
for the celebration that is Easter Day.

We ask in the name of our crucified and risen Lord.

Father God, help us to put you first every day and in every situation so the light from our flame grows tall, sending out more light to others.

ALL: Amen

Bible Reading:

A reading from Mark Chapter 11 verses 15-18.

Jesus Goes to the Temple

When they arrived in Jerusalem, Jesus went to the Temple and began to drive out all those who were buying and selling. He overturned the tables of the moneychangers and the stools of those who sold pigeons, and he would not let anyone carry anything through the Temple courtyards. He then taught the people: "It is written in the Scriptures that God said, 'My Temple will be called **a house of prayer** for the people of all nations.' But you have turned it into a hideout for thieves!"

The chief priests and the teachers of the Law heard of this, so they began looking for some way to kill Jesus. They were afraid of him, because the whole crowd was amazed at his teaching.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

A message:

Jesus drove out the market traders and money changers from the Temple, saying, 'This should be a house of prayer, but you have made it a den of thieves!' Jesus' cleansing of the temple puts the hatred of local leaders for Jesus into clearer focus. He shows Himself to be a threat not just to the corrupted Judaism of the Pharisees, but to the entire way of life of Jerusalem and the temple.

The religious and civil leaders find this a compelling reason to have Jesus killed—even more so that His claims to be the Son of God. **Jesus has five days to live.**

Activities:

Memorise Jesus' words from this Bible reading.

Make a Holy Week Wreath: <https://www.pinterest.co.uk/offsite/?token=971-489&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.weelittlemiracles.com%2F2012%2F04%2Fmake-easter-story-wreath->

[free.html&pin=177118197834210941&client_tracking_params=CwABAAAAEDczMTE3NjQxMzA3MTQyNjkA~0](https://www.viewpure.com/0lvXA0yRDwY?ref=search)



A time for reflection:

How can we/do we make our homes a house of prayer?

Do we eat and pray together?

Are we a family the Holy Spirit can use?

Are we praying or robbing from God?

Keep a few minutes silence and listen the 'Purify my heart':

<http://www.viewpure.com/0lvXA0yRDwY?ref=search>

Closing prayer:

Dear God,

Help us not to take for granted the gift of prayer.

May our community, homes and hearts be a house of prayer, this day and always.

We are the people of God. We are never alone. Help us remember that Jesus is praying for us as we are pray. For your names sake. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name;

thy kingdom come;

thy will be done;

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

**And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

**May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of
the Holy Spirit be with us, now and evermore. Amen.**

To finish, keep a minute or two of silence. Rest in the Lords presence.

