# The Easter Story

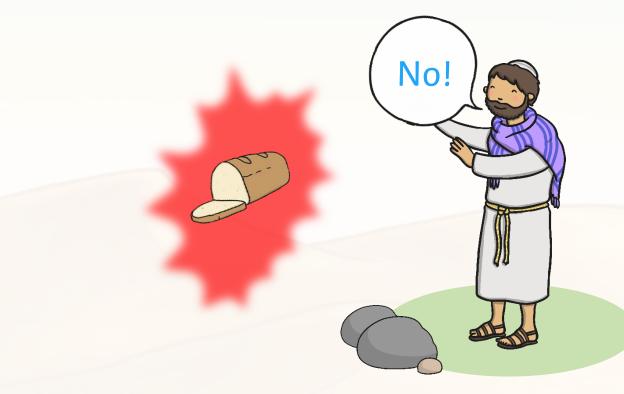
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Before Jesus began his teaching, he spent 40 days and 40 nights in the desert, to be with God. During this time, he had no food. Whilst Jesus was in the desert, the Devil appeared, trying to tempt Jesus.



The Devil knew that Jesus was hungry, so he told him that if he was indeed the Son of God, to turn the rocks nearby into bread. The Devil knew Jesus could do this, but Jesus knew it was a trap and told him 'No!'.



Next, the Devil took Jesus to the Holy City and to the top of a temple. He told Jesus to throw himself off the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he told Jesus, "then the angels will save you." But Jesus knew it was a trick and he told the Devil that he was not to test God.



No!

Finally, the Devil took Jesus to a very high mountain and told him "All the kingdoms of the world will be yours if you worship me."

But Jesus told him to leave and that he only worshipped and served God.

God was very pleased with Jesus and how he resisted the Devil's temptations.

## **Jesus Resisted Temptation**

Jesus spent 40 days and 40 nights in the desert. He had no food. Whilst he was in the desert, the Devil tried to tempt him with food. The Devil made Jesus many promises, but each time Jesus told him 'No!'.

Lent lasts 40 days, to remind Christians of Jesus' sacrifices when he was in the desert and also of his refusal to be tempted by the Devil.



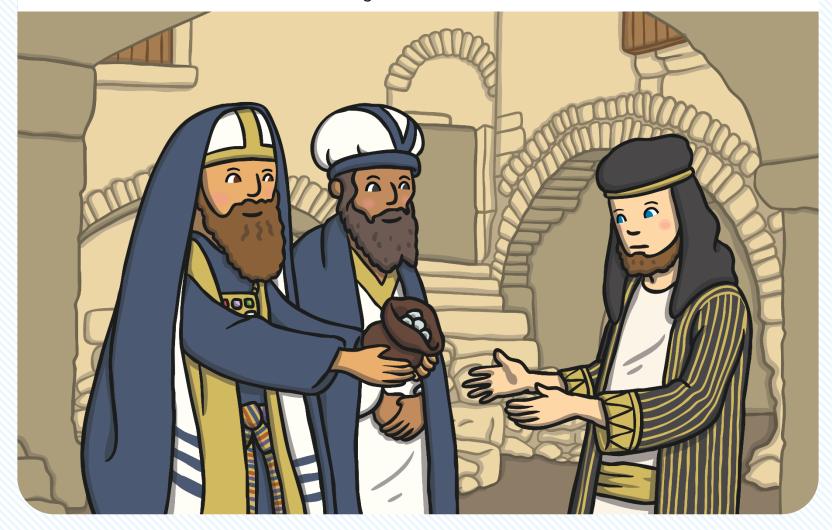
Jesus arrived in Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The people were happy to see Jesus and waved palm branches.



Some important people were jealous of how much the people loved Jesus.



Judas was one of Jesus' special friends. The important people gave Judas money to tell them where Jesus was so they could arrest him.



Jesus had a special dinner called a Passover meal with his friends. This meal is now known as the Last Supper.



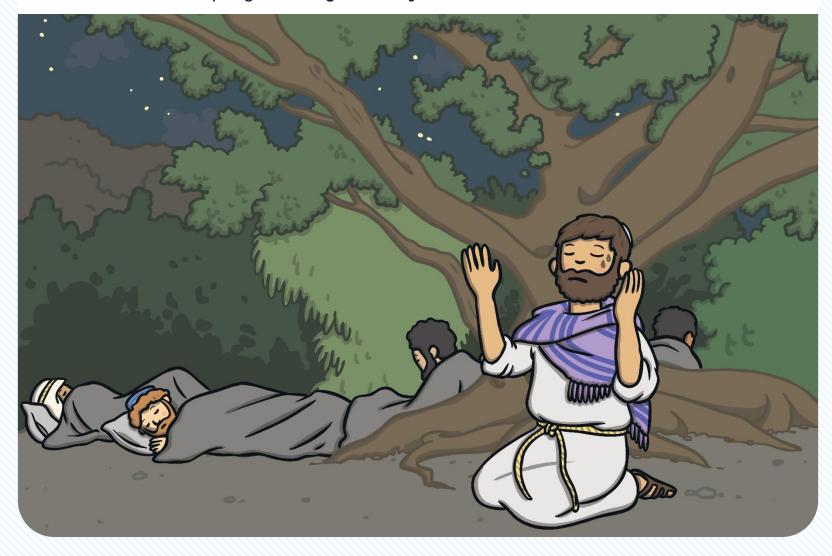
Jesus gave his friends bread and wine. He then told them that one of them had turned against him.



Jesus said that Peter would pretend he didn't know Jesus before the morning arrived and the cock crowed.



Then Jesus went to pray in the garden of Gethsemane.



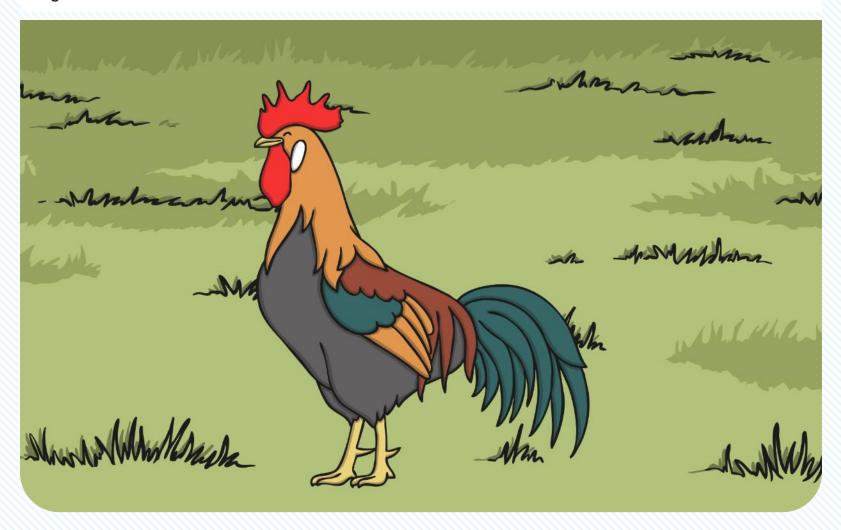
Judas told the important people where Jesus was. Jesus was arrested.



Peter followed Jesus and waited outside where he was being held. Someone asked if he was Jesus' friend. Peter said he didn't know Jesus.



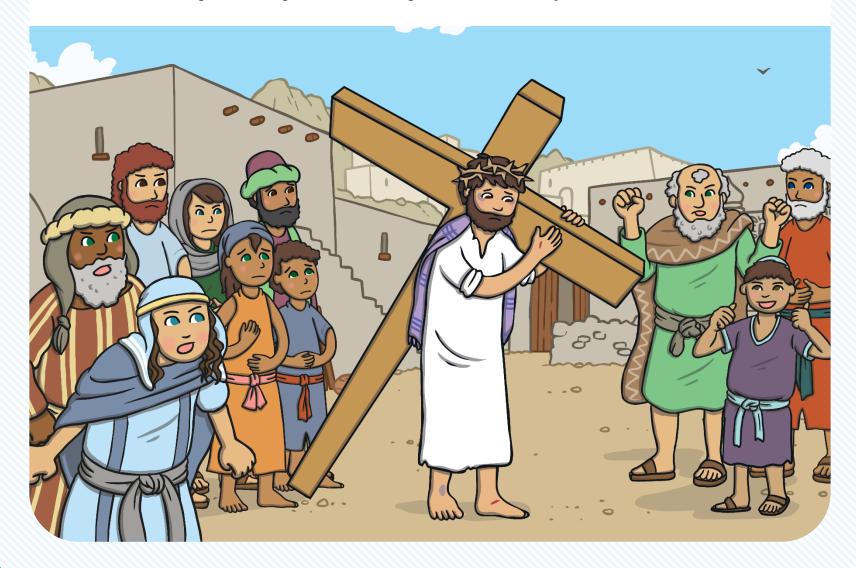
Then the cock crowed. Peter remembered what Jesus had said and felt very sad.



Pontius Pilate set Barabbas free instead of Jesus. The crowd wanted Jesus punished.



Jesus had to carry a heavy cross through the streets of Jerusalem.



#### Simon carried Jesus' cross to the hill.

