

Week 16: April 21 (Apr. 14–Apr. 20)

- Joshua asks God to make the sun stand still for a full day
- The Israelites “totally destroyed all who breathed, just as the Lord, the God of Israel, had commanded.”
- Joshua victorious even over combined forces
- Who are the “Anakites”?
- Finally, after much bloodshed, “the land had rest from war”
- The lands are divided among the tribes and they settle in peace
- “The whole assembly of the Israelites gathered at Shiloh and set up the tent of meeting there”
- “Not one of all the Lord’s good promises to Israel failed; every one was fulfilled.”
- The story of the beggar Lazarus and the rich man
- “If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.”
- Forgive those who repent: “Increase our faith!”
- Story of the 10 lepers; only one returns with thanks
- “The kingdom of God is in your midst” (17:21)
- “It will be just like this on the day the Son of Man is revealed”
- Pray without ceasing: the story of the unjust judge
- “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.”
- “What must I do to inherit eternal life?” “Sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”
- The story of Zacchaeus, the chief tax collector: “For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”
- Jesus praises Zacchaeus as a “Son of Abraham”
- Luke’s version of Palm Sunday: “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!” “I tell you, if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”
- Yet another Psalm (83) of lament: “O God, do not remain silent”
- Different tone in Psalm 84: “How lovely is your dwelling place...”
- Psalm 85: “I will listen to what the God the Lord says...”
- Proverbs 13:12 - “Hope deferred makes the heart sick”
- Proverbs 13:15—Good judgment wins favor... All who are prudent act with knowledge, but fools expose their folly.”