## 19<sup>th</sup> March – Luke 17:4

"Even if they sin against you seven times in a day and seven times come back to you saying 'I repent,' you must forgive them."

Truth: Because of the cross God keeps forgiving us. So should we.

Investigate: How often do you ask God for forgiveness? And how often does he say 'yes'? How often do your friends say sorry to you? Are you tempted to punish them in some way? Perhaps by not being their friend? Jesus says we should forgive them. And by doing that we show them what God is like.

### 20<sup>th</sup> March – Luke 18:7-8

"And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly."

Truth: God will make things right for his people.

Investigate: Have you ever wondered why people who don't follow Jesus do seem to do well?! Have you wondered why Jesus still hasn't come back? Jesus says - keep praying. God will make everything right.

### 21st March - Luke 19:38

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

Truth: The King that the angels sang about to the shepherds, has arrived!

Investigate: Where is Jesus, the King, going to? (See Luke 18:31-33) It's possible that many who sang to Jesus thought he was going to the palace. But Jesus' throne was the cross...

#### 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Luke 20:14

"But when the tenants saw him, they talked the matter over. 'This is the heir,' they said. 'Let's kill him, and the inheritance will be ours."

Truth: This is what all of us do. We naturally want all the good things that God gives, without God.

Investigate: If you read on in the story it doesn't end well for the tenants. Jesus IS King. The good news is that although the 'tenants' do kill Jesus, he died so we can be forgiven and rescued. The King wins!

### 23rd March - Luke 21:12-13

"But before all this, they will seize you and persecute you. They will hand you over to synagogues and put you in prison, and you will be brought before kings and governors, and all on account of my name. And so you will bear testimony to me.

Truth: People try to stop the good news about Jesus from spreading. But it's at those times that we have the chance to speak about him!

Investigate: When do you have opportunities to speak about Jesus and what do you say? Spend some time now thinking about what you could tell your friends.

# 24<sup>th</sup> March – Luke 22:20

In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you."

Truth: Jesus' death means that we have a new 'covenant' – a promise from God that anyone who trusts in Jesus can be part of his people.

Investigate: Every year at the Passover feast, the people would sacrifice a lamb to remember that God had rescued them. This Passover God wasn't just going to rescue them from slavery in a country. He was going to rescue them for good from slavery to sin. Spend some time praising God!



# 25<sup>th</sup> March – Luke 23:42-43

Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

Truth: All we need to do is trust that Jesus is King and he promises us life forever.

Investigate: Read verses 39-43. Did the criminal do anything to please God? What did he ask Jesus and what did Jesus promise him? We, like the criminals, deserve punishment, but Jesus didn't. Yet he was punished instead of us so we can live with him in paradise!

