

Jesus' Journey To Jerusalem

A Cantata for Schools



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No 1 Journey to Jerusalem (Luke 9: 51)

Chorus: Oh, we're on the road with Jesus, with Jesus, with Jesus,
Oh, we're on the road with Jesus, the road from Galilee.
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To Jerusalem we're heading, heading to Jerusalem!
To Jerusalem we're heading, heading to Jerusalem!
What will our future be? What will our future be?

*Soloists : What will our future be?
What will our future be?*

*Soloists : But why are you all doing this?
What's the reason that you're here?*

Soloists: Because the Spirit of the Lord is on Jesus: (Luke 4:18-19)
Jesus is God's anointed One.
He has come to bring good news to those who suffer,
Proclaiming liberty, sight to the blind!
Freeing all the people from oppression
Because now is the time, the time of God's favour:
Jesus is God's anointed One.

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No 2: Being a Disciple (Luke 9:51)

Soloists: Sometimes it's hard being a disciple,
for we're always on the move.
Sometimes the folk want to hear our message.
Others just don't want to know.

Chorus: Sometimes we don't know where we'll be sleeping,(Lk 9:57)
So we put our trust in God.
Sometimes it's hard being a disciple,
for we're always on the move.

Soloists: Once over seventy of us were sent out two by two.(Luke 10: 1)
We preached, we taught, we cured the sick,
God's Kingdom was made clear.
We preached, we taught, we cured the sick!
We preached, we taught, we cured the sick.

Chorus: We came back really overjoyed
so pleased we were and proud!
But Jesus said: Rejoice instead that God sees all you do.
We preached, we taught, we cured the sick!
We preached, we taught, we cured the sick.

No 3: God's Healing Power

Chorus:
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Soloists 1: What will our future be? What will our future be?

*Soloists 2: What happened as you went along?
Were there healings and the like?*

*Soloists 3: In all the towns and villages we passed
through on the way,
People brought out all their sick and asked Jesus to pray.*

Chorus: One day as we left for Galilee, three lepers came and said:
Will you please heal us all, release us from our pain?
Jesus was filled with love for them, felt pity and distress.
He said: "Do what the law prescribes and go see the priests.

As the ten lepers went along, they found they had been healed.
One of them came running back to Jesus shouting
"thanks".

This one was Samaritan and not of our faith,
Yet it was he who was the best at giving praise to God.

No 4 The Great Commandment

Chorus:
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Soloists: What will our future be? What will our future be?

Soloists : What happened as you went alone?
Was it all sweetness and light?

Soloists : One little town we visited gave Jesus a hard time! (Luke 10:25)
Lawyers asked him what he taught,
But didn't want to know!

Solo 3:

You must love the Lord your God with all your heart & soul;
You must love the Lord your God with all your mind & strength
and you must love your neighbour as you love yourself.
You must love the Lord your God with heart & soul & mind & strength
and your neighbour as yourself.

Chorus:

You must love the Lord your God with all your heart and soul;
You must love the Lord your God
with all your mind & strength.
And you must love your neighbour
As you love yourself.
You must love the Lord your God
With heart and soul and mind and strength
And your neighbour as yourself.

Solo:

The lawyers were not happy then; They tried to catch him out.
Challenge came from one of them: but who is my neighbour?

5 The Parable of the Good Samaritan : Luke 10: 29-37

Reader concludes: Go now and do the same yourself -
Be like the Good Samaritan.

Chorus concludes:

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With all your heart and soul;
You must love the Lord your God
With all your strength and mind.
And you must love your neighbour
As you love yourself.
You must love the Lord your God
With heart and soul and mind and strength
And your neighbour as yourself.

6 Teach us to Pray: The Lord's Prayer:

Soloists:

One day we were resting and relaxing,
And the crowds were far away.
Then someone said: Teach us how to pray, Lord,
For we want to pray like you:

Chorus:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive
those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

The Entry into Jerusalem

*Reader: At last we reached Jerusalem, City of David, the Holy City.
Some of us were a bit alarmed at the thought of going in,
Because of the uncertain welcome we might get! Anyway, a large
crowd gathered to welcome Jesus and so we went in singing:*

Hosannah to the Son of David!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosannah to the Son of David!
Blessed is he! Hosannah in the highest!

See he comes, the Son of David! Jesus Christ from Galilee,
Prophet and teacher, king And servant,
One with his people, setting them free!

Hosannah to the Son of David!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosannah to the Son of David!
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Riding to Jerusalem, the Prophet and his friends,
All the children came to greet him, gave God praise and sang:
Hosannah to the Son of David!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosannah to the Son of David!
Blessed is he! Hosannah in the highest!

Palm and olive trees gave branches, sycamores bowed down,
People lined the road with gladness, children danced and sang:
Hosannah to the Son of David!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosannah to the Son of David!
Blessed is he! Hosannah in the highest!

Men and women threw their branches at the Saviour's feet;
Children jumped around him laughing, played their games & sang:
Hosannah to the Son of David!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosannah to the Son of David!
Blessed is he! Hosannah in the highest!