

# OUR FIRST EASTER PLAY

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# INTRODUCTION

Thank you for looking at this sample from 'OUR FIRST EASTER PLAY', an Easter performance suitable for ages 3-7.

SYNOPSIS: This Easter play tells the story of Jesus from his entry into Jerusalem through to his resurrection and ascension, but without using any big words! Therefore, the biblical account is re-told in a child-friendly, sensitive, easy-to-understand way, which is perfect for very young children. Thus, some elements of the biblical account are purposefully omitted. For example, Judas' betrayal, Jesus' anger in the temple and the torture of Jesus. In addition, it's important to note that the actual crucifixion is only mentioned very briefly, in a non-descriptive way...

*Jesus had done nothing but good,  
But they hung him on a cross of wood,  
His friends and mother stood and cried,  
As on the cross, Jesus died!*

*Though it was early in the day,  
Suddenly, the sun went away,  
The blue sky which had been so bright,  
Quickly turned as black as night!*

*They buried Jesus in the grave,  
Which was actually, a big cave,  
In front of it they rolled a stone,  
Then his friends sadly went home.*

*When three days had been and gone,  
Some friends of Jesus came along,  
To see the cave and to pray,  
But 'wow'... the stone was rolled away!*



PARTS: Please note that there are no specific acting roles in this play. The story is told entirely through narrators. There are enough narrators' parts for around sixty children to have a few lines each. A PowerPoint presentation is included to illustrate each section of the story. You are of course welcome to use the included editable script to easily add your own extra lines and parts if required.

TIMING: If you stick exactly to the script, and sing all the songs, this performance should take about 20-25 minutes. If this is too long for you, you can easily shorten the production by 10-15 minutes, using the provided editable version of the script.

# OUR FIRST EASTER PLAY (Full Version)

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## **SONG 1**      **Our First Easter Play**

It is our first Easter play,  
It is our first Easter play,  
It is our first Easter play,  
We'll show it to you... etc...



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NARRATOR: Thank you for coming to watch us,  
We're going to tell you about Jesus,  
Our story starts long ago,  
About two thousand years or so.

Jesus was kind, Jesus was good,  
He taught about God all he could,  
He made sick people better again,  
Made them well and healed their pain.



Many miracles he performed,  
He walked on water and calmed a storm,  
He fed five thousand in no time,  
He even turned water into wine.

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## **SONG 2**      **Miracle Man**

He fed five thousand people,  
He walked on water too,  
He made all the sick people,  
Feel as good as new... etc...

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NARRATOR: Jesus had some special friends,  
Who said they'd be with him to the end,  
One day Jesus said to all of them,  
"Come on, let's go to Jerusalem!"

A very large crowd came to see,  
Jesus riding there on a donkey,  
Branches and leaves they laid down,  
As Jesus rode into the town.



They clapped and cheered and said, "HOORAY,  
Jesus, the King is coming our way!"  
They treated Jesus like royalty,  
Everyone was so happy!

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### **SONG 3**      **Clip-Clop**

Clip-clop, clip-clop, donkey do not stop,  
Keep on going, trot, trot, trot... etc...

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NARRATOR: But not everyone was filled with joy,  
Some people were actually quite annoyed!  
The leaders of Jerusalem,  
Were grumpy, mean and angry men.

They were jealous that Jesus was becoming,  
More and more like a sort of King,  
More important than all of them,  
The most famous man in Jerusalem!



It made them angry, it made them mad,  
So, they made plans that were very bad,  
To get rid of Jesus and his friends,  
To make Jesus' life come to an end.

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### **SONG 4**      **Grumpy Mean Men**

Grumpy mean men angrily say,  
That Jesus should go away,  
They don't want Jesus and his friends,  
In their old, old city... etc...

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NARRATOR: Now Jesus and his friends together,  
Went to have a special supper,  
While they were eating, Jesus did say,  
That he would soon have to go away!



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## **SONG 1**      **Our First Easter Play**

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We'll show it to you... etc...



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NARRATOR: This is a story about a very good man called Jesus.  
Jesus taught people about God.  
Jesus made sick people well again.  
Jesus had once used a few loaves and fish to feed  
five thousand people and another time he even  
walked on water!  
Jesus really was an amazing man!



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## **SONG 2**      **Miracle Man**

He fed five thousand people,  
He walked on water too,  
He made all the sick people,  
Feel as good as new... etc...

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NARRATOR: One day Jesus and his friends went to a big city  
called Jerusalem.  
Jesus rode there on a donkey.  
Lots of people came to see Jesus.  
They cheered loudly and spread branches and  
leaves over the floor.  
They treated Jesus as if he was a King.  
It was a very happy day.



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## **SONG 3**      **Clip-Clop**

Clip-clop, clip-clop, donkey do not stop,  
Keep on going, trot, trot, trot... etc...

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NARRATOR: But not everyone was happy.  
Some of the people in charge of Jerusalem wanted Jesus to go away.

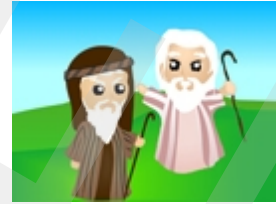
They were worried that Jesus was becoming more important than them and it made them feel jealous!

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**SONG 4**      **Grumpy Mean Men**

Grumpy mean men angrily say,  
That Jesus should go away,  
They don't want Jesus and his friends,  
In their old, old city... etc...

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NARRATOR: Jesus and his friends went to have a special meal together.  
While they were eating, Jesus told them that he would soon have to go away. This made his friends feel very sad...