

# Sadness to Joy

God's plan to turn SADNESS into JOY

**Exploring the themes of Sadness and Joy in the Easter Story**

Using video clips and puppet characters, 'pause points' for discussion and a worksheet.

## TEACHER INFORMATION NOTES

**Total length:** The video is 29 minutes long. Please allow an extra five minutes for four 'pause points' for discussion. There is also an option of a worksheet to complete separately.

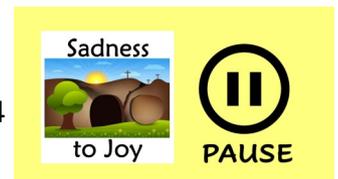
**4 parts:** There are four parts to the story. They can be watched either in one sitting or you can watch one part at a time to suit your timetable. The end of each section is indicated by a 'pause point' image.

**Part 1 (8 mins): The Big Parade** (Palm Sunday): 0:00—8:00

**Part 2 (6 mins) : A Special Meal** (Maundy Thursday): 8:00—14:24

**Part 3 (7 mins): Jesus Dies** (Good Friday): 14:24—21:45

**Part 4 (7 mins): A Surprise Ending** (Easter Sunday): 21:45—29:08



**Pause and Discuss:** In each section there is a 'pause point' image indicating time to reflect on the question: **Did you notice the happy and sad parts of the story?** This allows time for pupils to discuss with a partner and share with the class.

**Reflect:** There are additional reflective questions designed to help pupils think about the story. There is no pause in the lesson for these, but they can be considered outside of the lesson time.

Part 2: Do you ever have special meals to celebrate? (14:10)

Part 3: What are the surprising things that Jesus says? (14:40)

Part 4: What is the most surprising part of the story? (22:09)

**Refrain theme:** There are repeated refrains during the story for the children to join in with on the theme of turning Sadness into Joy.

**Worksheets:** These include further reflective questions relating the story to our own situations.

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## Palm Sunday

Have you ever cheered for someone?



Joy in the story?

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## Maundy Thursday

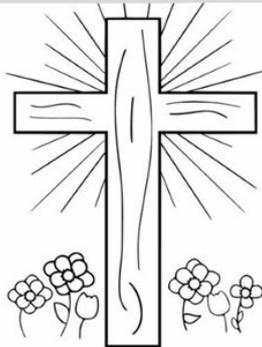
Have you had a special meal with your family?

Joy in the story?

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## Good Friday

What makes you sad?



Joy in the story?

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## Easter Sunday

Have you ever had a big surprise?

What did you think was most surprising in the story?

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