

Priceless Lessons from Gen W: An Exposition of Numbers

“The Week That Changed the World”

John 12:12–13:1

The Lord’s Day Morning

March 29, 2026

The book of Numbers recounts the story of Gen W, the wandering generation of Israel, redeemed from slavery in Egypt and sent on their way to the promised land with God living among them in the tabernacle. Because of their sin and rebellion, this generation will not enter the land but will wander in the wilderness for forty years. By the time Jesus is born in Bethlehem about 1200 years later, Israel has been in the promised land for centuries. Jesus’ entire ministry was contained in the promised land, and at its center is the capital, Jerusalem. What Jesus did in Jerusalem between March 29 and April 5, 33 AD,* changed the world and gives us our only hope that this world is not as good as it gets.

1. Sunday: Jesus enters Jerusalem as a

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2. Thursday: Jesus stays in Jerusalem as a

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3. Friday: Jesus leaves Jerusalem as a

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