



## Zoom & In Person Community Group Lessons – April 6 – 10, 2022

### Palm Sunday

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#### Main Point

- We can praise Jesus who is the king of our hearts

#### Scripture

- Luke 19:29-40
  - *As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ say, ‘The Lord needs it.’” Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” They replied, “The Lord needs it.” They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road. When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen: “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!” “I tell you,” he replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”*

#### Prayer Time

- Spend a couple of minutes in praise and prayer to God.

#### Praise and Worship

- Hosanna- Hillsong Worship  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hnMevXQutyE>
- At the Cross- Chris Tomlin  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zev5tHjCB\\_s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zev5tHjCB_s)

#### Memory Verse

- John 3:16
  - *“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”*

#### Review of Last Week

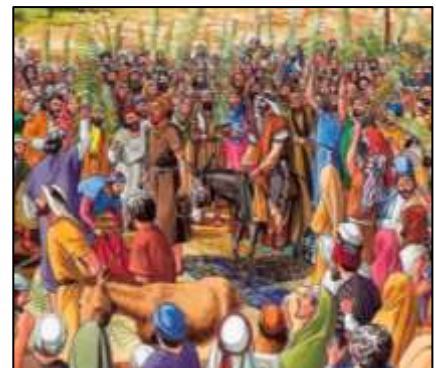
- We learned about Communion and that it is a special time to remember that Jesus gave up His life because He loves us. This week, what worship song did you listen to and praise God with?

## Lesson

- As Jesus came closer to Jerusalem, he asked two of his disciples to go ahead of Him. He said, "When you get to the town, you will see a donkey tied up. Untie it, and bring it to me. If anyone asks you about taking the donkey, just tell them, 'The Lord needs it and He will bring it back as soon as He's done with it.'"
- So, the disciples did as Jesus asked. They soon found the donkey tied at a doorway. As they were untying it, some people were standing nearby visiting. They didn't recognize the men and asked, "What are you doing? Why are you untying the donkey?" They replied just as Jesus had told them to. Explaining that the Lord needed it, the people let them go.
- When they brought the donkey to Jesus, some of the disciples took off their coats and laid them on the donkey's back. They did this out of respect for Jesus. Then Jesus rode on the donkey towards Jerusalem.



- As He was traveling, some people saw Jesus coming and came running towards Him. They had heard He might be coming and they wanted to see him because he had just helped a dead man come back to life.
- One by one, they laid their coats on the ground for the donkey to step on. Even the people that weren't wearing coats ran to the fields and trees nearby and cut palm branches and laid them down.
- These people knew that Jesus was special. It was like when a King or Queen would come to town, and people would roll out a red carpet for him or her to step on. This is what these people did for Jesus when they laid down their coats and branches.
- As they got even closer to the town, more and more people noticed Jesus. A crowd surrounded Him and started to shout praises to Him for all the miracles He had done: "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna, Hosanna!" (*Let's say it together*)
- The word Hosanna means *save us*. They said this because Jesus was helping them and doing amazing things. They wanted to praise Him, and they wanted Him to keep helping them.



- Some men named Pharisees (these men thought they were important; a lot of the people listened to them). They heard the crowd praising God. They said to Jesus, "Teacher, why don't you tell these people to stop praising you as if you were God?"



- The Pharisees thought that Jesus was getting too much attention from the people. They wanted to be the most important, but everyone was listening to Jesus instead.
- This week, find or make a palm branch, and then wave them and say, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna, Hosanna!"

### Application & Group Discussion

- Did the crowd praise Jesus? (*some did*)
- How did the crowd praise Jesus? (*shouting Hosanna, waving palm branches*)
- Did some of the people ask Jesus to stop the crowd? (*yes*)
- Why were the people praising Jesus? Was it because he is the king of their hearts? (*because they were excited to have a new earthly king*)



### Live it out Challenge

- **This week**, share with someone around you how we can praise Jesus as OUR king, the king of our hearts.

### Activity Sheets

- Below is a crossword puzzle, a colouring page, and a template to make your own hosanna palm leaf. Enjoy as you reflect on what you just read and learned about PALM SUNDAY and why we praise Jesus!



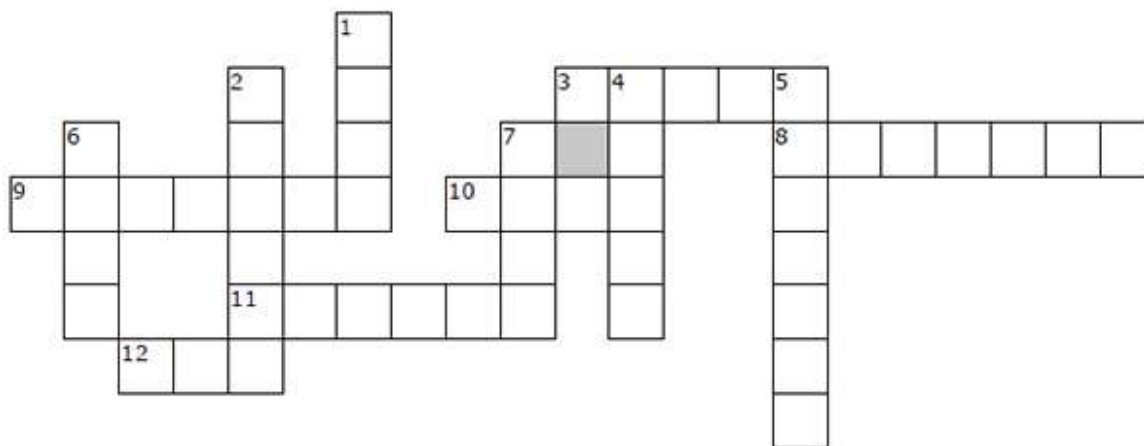
"Hosanna in the Highest. . ."



"Blessed is He Who comes in the Name of the Lord."

# The Triumphal Entry

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"  
 Luke 19:38 (NIV)



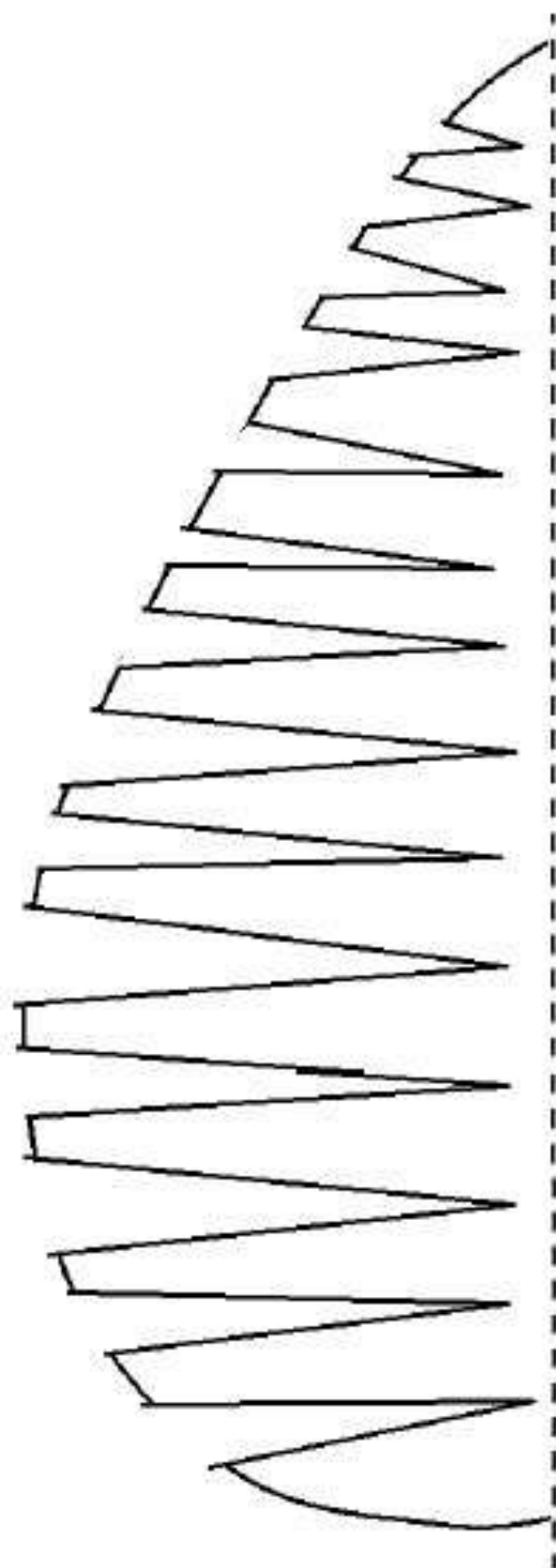
## ACROSS

- 3. The Son of God
- 8. A word used for praise and adoration which means "save us"
- 9. A small town
- 10. A young animal of the horse family; especially one under one year
- 11. To stretch out over a large area
- 12. To secure with a piece of rope

## DOWN

- 1. What a person is called
- 2. To express admiration or approval of something or someone
- 4. To go into a place
- 5. Said something in a loud voice; called out; yelled
- 6. A male ruler of a country
- 7. A pathway for vehicles, persons, and animals; a street or highway

VILLAGE	JESUS	SHOUTED	ENTER
COLT	SPREAD	PRAISE	NAME
TIE	ROAD	HOSANNA	KING



## Paper Palm Leaf

Cut this template along the dotted line.

Fold a piece of green construction paper in half and paper clip the template so the dotted line is along the fold.

Cut through the template and both layers of construction paper along the black lines.

Discard the template (unless you want to make more leaves).

Unfold the construction paper to see your finished palm leaf.

Optional: Tape a green pipe cleaner or thin rolled tube of construction paper to the center as a stem.

