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Ponder Point: Jesus is King Story: Palm Sunday

Scripture: Matthew 21:1-11; John 12:12-19

NEMOR' VERSE

"The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love."

Psalm 145:8

Share a video or snap a pic once you have it memorized on Wednesday! Use #HEROMemoryVerse



Q: Why did Jesus ride on a donkey? Matthew 21:1–5 A: To show he was a different kind of king. People were expecting a big, fancy entrance, but Jesus chose to come humbly on a donkey, a "beast of burden."

Q: What did the people shout as Jesus rode into Jerusalem? Matthew 21:9

A: "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

Q: What does hosanna mean?

A: Praise God; saves; shout of celebration and praise

Q: Why did the people wave palm branches?

A: Palm branches were a sign of joy and triumph and were used on festive occasions

Q: What did the people expect the Messiah to do? Why did they feel palm branches were fitting?

A: They expected Him to come in, weapons blazing, to conquer - as a typical king or ruler would. They didn't regard him as a spiritual ruler, but just as a political one - but Jesus turns this idea upside down!

Q: Is there a place in your life where you feel like shouting, "Hosanna!" to Jesus?

- Q: How can we show Jesus that He is our King?
- Q: How can you recognize Jesus as King of your life?

LESSING

Blessings are often used in the Bible. A blessing can be a prayer of commission, a portion of Scripture, or words to encourage and guide.

A blessing to pray over your child: (Child's name), may you feel encouraged to know that you're a part of the Big God Story!

NEXT WEEK

Easter: The Big God Story

Did you know?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

- God entered into covenants with Noah, Abraham, Moses, and David. He used these covenants in a process of progressively revealing Himself and His plan of redemption.
- These covenants laid the foundation for and help us understand the coming of the new covenant that began in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
- The new covenant helped the people of God understand how the blessings of God promised in the Abrahamic and Davidic covenants would be experienced in everyday life.
- The only way for God to reconcile Himself to mankind was through His Son's death. It was God's perfect fulfillment of the promise of redemption He'd made in Genesis.