



Palm Sunday
When the King Arrives
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► Discussion Guide

Use this guide to deepen your faith and stir meaningful conversations with friends and family. Find a Small Group at brookwoodchurch.org/smallgroups.
Let's grow our faith together!

Opening

Describe a time when it was really difficult waiting for something.

Bible Study, Reflection and Discussion Questions

Read [Luke 19:28-35](#) (The beginning of Reading #157 in *The Life of Jesus*).

1. What is the significance of Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a young colt of a donkey? See also [Isaiah 62:11-12](#); [Zechariah 9:9](#); [Mark 11:1-2](#).
2. What do you imagine the disciples were thinking and feeling?
3. Has God ever asked you to do something that didn't make sense at the time, but looking back you can see God's hand at work? See [John 12:16](#).
4. Jesus chose to be presented as a humble King—quite different than what the people were expecting. What steps can you take to seek His will over your own (His thoughts over your thoughts, His plan over your plan)? See also [Psalm 40:8](#); [Isaiah 55:6-9](#); [John 9:31](#).
5. What part about Jesus or the Christian faith do you find difficult to embrace or accept?
6. God doesn't force Himself on people, instead He often comes quietly and gently (see [Revelation 3:20-21](#)). What do you sense He has been softly whispering to you lately?

7. Why is it significant that it was during the time of Passover when Jesus entered Jerusalem? How would you explain to someone what it means that Jesus is our Passover Lamb? See also [Exodus 12:21-27](#); [John 1:29](#); [1 Corinthians 5:6-8](#); [1 Peter 1:18-20](#).
8. As Jesus approached Jerusalem and saw the city ahead, he began to weep ([Luke 19:41](#)). Can you describe a time you experienced the tenderness of Jesus?
9. How can you tell when someone has a deep, abiding trust in God? What does that look like in everyday life?
10. What specific steps will you take to deepen your trust in God this week?

Soul Training

Set aside a few quiet moments this week, and begin making a list of specific ways God has met your needs (either recently or over the course of your life). Notice any emotions that surface as you write. What's going on inside you? How are you feeling toward God? Spend some time talking with God about what you're thinking and feeling. Try not to view this as an "activity" (something you're *supposed to do*, a *box to check off*), but think of this as time you get to spend with God. Thank Him for sending Jesus to bring you life. Ask Him to help you experience His presence.

Memory Verse

Tell the Daughter of Zion, "See, your King is coming to you, gentle, and mounted on a donkey, even on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden."

Matthew 21:5 (HCSB)

Daily Reading

April 10: [Psalm 84:5-8](#)

April 13: [Romans 5:6-11](#)

April 11: [Deuteronomy 7:7-9](#)

April 14: [Mark 15:21-47](#)

April 12: [Philippians 2:6-11](#)

Prepare for Next Sunday

The teaching for Easter services (Saturday and Sunday, April 15-16) will come from [Luke 24:9-11](#) and [John 20:3-10](#) (Reading #210 in *The Life of Jesus*).



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