Worship @ 11 am Sunday Mornings

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Sunday School @ 9:45 am Sunday Mornings

(In-Person or via Zoom)

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Zion Children's Bulletin

April 10, 2022 (Year C) * **Palm Sunday** (Ages 3+)

Hearing God's Word: Our Gospel lesson today is found in Luke 19:28-40 where we are told of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. It is today that we celebrate Christ's entry into our world with the waving of the palms, singing hosanna! Other readings this weekinclude Psalms 118:1-2 and 19-29.

Jesus Enters Jerusalem

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²⁸ After Jesus said this, he went on toward Jerusalem. ²⁹ Jesus came near Bethphage and

Bethany, towns near the hill called the Mount of Olives. Then he sent out two of his followers. 30 He said, "Go into the town you can see there. When you enter it, you will find a colt tied there. No one has ever ridden this colt. Until it, and bring it here to me. 31 If anyone asks you why you are taking it, say, 'The Master needs it.'" ³² The two followers went into town. They found the colt just as Jesus told them. 33 The followers untied it, but the owners of the colt came out. They asked the followers, "Why are you untying our colt?" 34 The followers answered, "The Master needs it." 35 So they brought it to Jesus. They threw their coats on the colt's back and put Jesus on it. ³⁶ As Jesus rode toward Jerusalem, the followers spread their coats on the road before him. ³⁷ Jesus was coming close to Jerusalem. He was already near the bottom of the Mount of Olives. The whole crowd of followers was very happy. They began shouting praise to God for all the powerful works they had seen. They said, ³⁸ "God bless the king who comes in the name of the Lord! There is peace in heaven and glory to God!" (Psalm 118:26) 39 Some of the Pharisees said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell your followers not to say these things!" ⁴⁰ But Jesus answered, "I tell you, if my followers don't say these things, then the stones will cry out."

Children's Moment: Praise Parade

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Today, we are going to talk about parades. Parades are fun, full of energy, happiness, and celebrations. There is hardly anything that is more fun and exciting than a parade. Have you ever been to a parade? Perhaps it was a circus parade, or a Christmas parade, but I am sure you

have all been to a parade. Sometimes a parade is part of a really big celebration. Our Gospel lesson today tells us about a parade that that took place in the city of Jerusalem about 2,000 years ago.

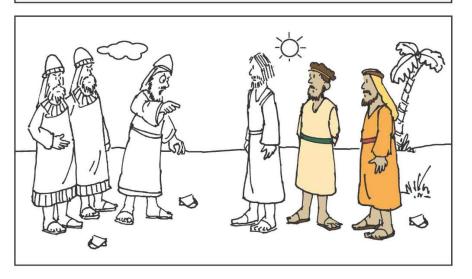
Jesus and His followers were traveling to the city of Jerusalem. The city was going to have a big celebration called Passover that would last for a whole week. Have you ever been to a party that lasted a whole week? As they were traveling, they came to a place called the Mount of Olives. They stopped there and Jesus gave His disciples some special instructions. "Go into that village over there," He told them. "As you enter it, you will see a young donkey tied there that no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks, 'Why are you untying that donkey?' just say, 'The Lord needs it.' " So the disciples went and found the young donkey, just as Jesus had told them they would. And sure enough, as they were untying it, the owner asked them, "Why are you untying that donkey?" Hmm...now what was it they were supposed to say? Right! They simply answered, "The Lord needs it."

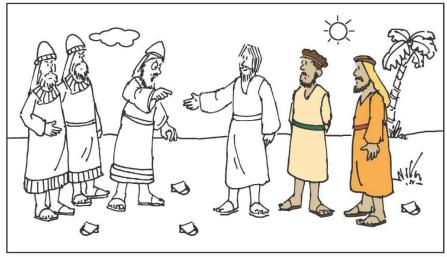
The disciples took the young donkey to Jesus and they put coats on its back so that Jesus would have a nice, soft seat as He rode into town. Word spread quickly through the town that Jesus was coming. He had become quite famous because people had heard about His healing the sick and even raising the dead. As Jesus entered the town, a large crowd had gathered. People began to throw their coats on the road in front of Jesus. They cut branches from the palm trees and waved them and they began to shout, "Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord."

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell Your disciples to be quiet!" "I tell you," Jesus replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."



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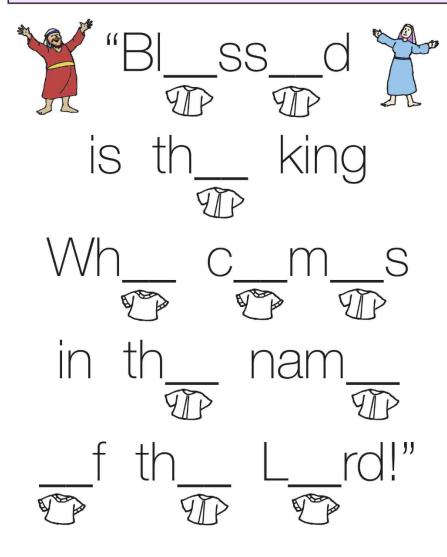




As Jesus traveled along, people spread their cloaks on the road. The whole crowd of disciples joyfully praised God in loud voices.

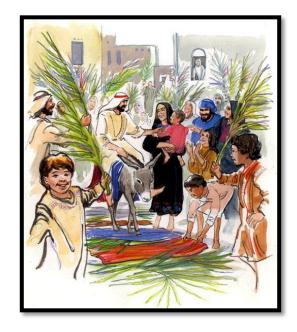
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It must have been quite the parade as Jesus went through the streets of Jerusalem with everyone waving and cheering. We call this celebration Palm Sunday. We could call it a Praise Parade!

But as exciting as all this was, the people really did not know who Jesus was. They thought He was going to set up an earthly kingdom and that He would do great things for them here on earth. They did not understand that His kingdom was in heaven. In just a few days, these same people who were shouting, "Hosanna!" would be shouting, "Crucify Him!" because He wasn't the kind of king they wanted. The Good News today is that Jesus is King. He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Today we are here to praise Him and we shout, "Hosanna!" Do you know what that word means? It means "Save now!" That is why we shout hosanna, because Jesus saves — Jesus alone.

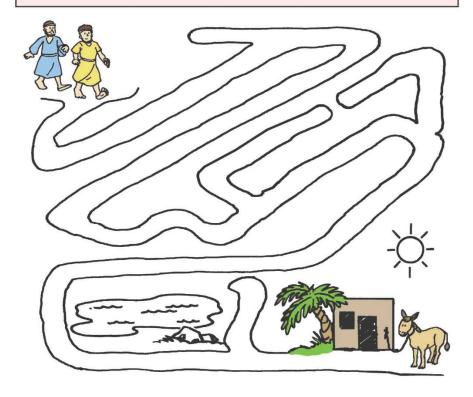


Let Us Pray: Dear Father, our voices join with the voices of the people in Jerusalem some 2,000 years ago. Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. He is our hope and our salvation. In His name we pray. Amen.



Jesus sent 2 of His disciples to a village to find a colt that no one had ever ridden.

Follow the path to help the disciples find the colt.





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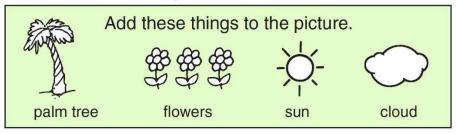
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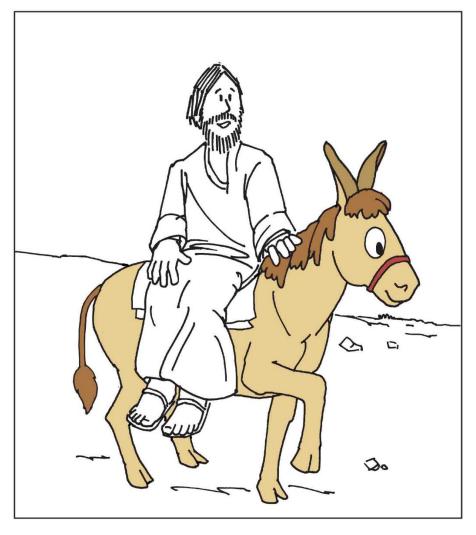


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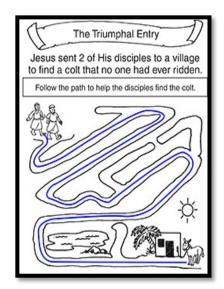
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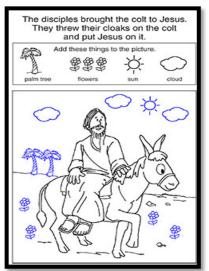
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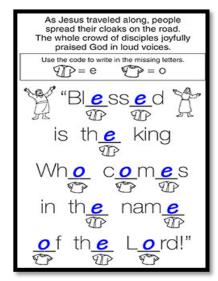


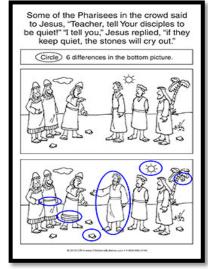


Activity Pages Answer Key (Ages 3+)









Palm Frond

(Matthew 21:1-11)



Supplies you'll need:

- ☐ Tongue Depressor
- ☐ Green Cardstock
- ☐ Green Marker
- ☐ Pencil

- □ Scissors
- ☐ Craft Glue Or Double Stick Tape Scissors

Instructions:

- 1. Trace and cut out three hands like the example.
- 2. Color tongue depressor green.
- 3. Print out: "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest!" Cut the verse out and glue or tape to one hand.
- 4. Glue or tape hands onto tongue depressor. Be sure the hand with the verse is in the front like the example shown.

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