

LIFE GROUP GUIDE

Message Series: Journey to the Cross
Message Title: Jesus and His Journey, Part 4
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AT A GLANCE

SCRIPTURE

Zechariah 9:9; Mark 11:1-10;
John 18:36

APPLICATION

- Know Him and know His Word
- Proximity to Jesus does not always equal relationship with Jesus
- Humility brings peace
- The Good News

DISCUSSION & APPLICATION

Ice Breaker: What's one thing about you that people tend to misunderstand at first? Have you ever made a wrong assumption about someone that you later realized was not accurate?

Read Zechariah 9:9 and Mark 11:1-10.

1. Why did the shouting shift from "Bless Him" (Mark 11:8-11) to "Crucify Him" (Luke 23:20-25)?

2. We see Jesus's humility as he entered Jerusalem and throughout Holy Week. How does having authentic humility change you?

3. In what ways do people tend to "customize" their view of Jesus to fit their narrative? Have you ever noticed yourself doing that? What draws you to that view? Why is it important not to have a limited view of who He is?

Read Matthew 15:8.

4. Have you been in close proximity to Jesus without being in close relationship with Him? How have you experienced this in other relationships?

GOING DEEPER - PAUSE, PONDER, PRAY

Read John 18:36. There is only One who was prophesied about, who will establish an eternal Kingdom that belongs to Him - The Prince of Peace, Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. What does it look like to live as citizens of His Kingdom in a world that values something different?

PASSION WEEK

Passion Week begins on Palm Sunday with the triumphal entry of Jesus riding into Jerusalem on the back of a colt (as prophesied in Zechariah 9:9), and continues through Easter Sunday, Resurrection Day. It is called Passion Week because of the passion with which Jesus willingly went to the cross to pay for the sins of the world. (Isaiah 53, Psalm 22)

PASSION WEEK GOSPEL ACCOUNTS

Matthew 21-27; Mark 11-15; Luke 19-23; John 12-19

- SUN** **Triumphal entry - Jesus rides into Jerusalem on a donkey.**
- MON** **Jesus curses the barren fig tree, cleanses the Temple, and rebukes unbelief.**
- TUE** **Jesus teaches the parables and the Pharisees question Jesus.**
- WED** **The Sanhedrin plots to kill Jesus and Judas agrees to betray Jesus.**
- THU** **The Passover meal is prepared and Jesus institutes the Lord's Supper. Jesus prays in the Garden of Gethsemane and sweats blood. Jesus appears before Pilate, Herod, and Pilate again.**
- FRI** **Jesus is scourged, whipped, beaten, and mocked. A purple robe and crown of thorns are placed upon Jesus. Jesus carries the cross from Jerusalem to Golgotha and is crucified. The sky is dark for 3 hours. There is an earthquake. The Temple veil is torn from top to bottom.**
- SAT** **The Sabbath is observed.**
- SUN** **Jesus is resurrected from the dead.**